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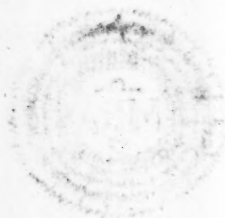
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A CALENDAR OF Feasts and Fasts.

All Sundays.

JANUARY.

- 1 The *Circumcision*, or *Newyears-day*.
6 The *Epiphany*, or *Twelfth-day*.

FEBRUARY.

- 1 Fast.
2. The *Purification*, or *Candlemas-day*.
23. Fast. *Note*, that in *Leap-year*
24 S. *Matthias*. the Feast of S. *Matthias*
is kept on the 25th and
the Fast on the 24th.

MARCH.

- 19 S. *Joseph*.
25 The *Anuntiation*, or *Lady-day*.

APRIL.

- 23 S. *George*.

MAY.

- 1 SS. *Philip* and *Jacob*.
3 *Invention of the Cross*.

JUNE.

- 23 Fast.
24 S. *John Baptist*.
28. Fast.
29 S. *Peter* and *Paul*.

JULY

A Calender of Feasts and Fasts.

JULY.

24 Fast.

25 S. James.

26 S. Anne.

AUGUST.

9 Fast.

10 S. Laurence.

14 Fast.

15 Assumption of our Lady.

23 Fast.

24 S. Bartholomew.

SEPTEMBER.

7 Fast.

8 Nativity of our Lady.

20 Fast.

21 S. Matthew.

29 Michaelmas-day.

OCTOBER.

24 Fast.

28 SS. Simon and Jude.

31 Fast.

NOVEMBER.

1 All Saints-day.

29 Fast.

30 S. Andrew.

DECEMBER.

20 Fast.

21 S. Thomas Apostle

24 Fast.

25 Christmas-day.

26 S. Steven

A Calender of Feasts and Fasts.

26 S. Steven.

27 S. John Evangelist.

28 Holy Innocents.

29 St. Thomas of Canterb.

31 S. Silvester.

*In case a Holy-day fall upon a Monday,
the Eve is to be fasted on the Saturday
before.*

Moveable Holy-days.

Easter-day, with the Two Days following.

Ascension-day.

Whitsunday with the Two Days following.

Corpus-Christi day.

Moveable Fasting-days.

*All the Week-days of Lent, beginning
from Ashwednesday.*

*All Fridays, except within the Twelve
Days of Christmas, and from Easter to
Ascension-day.*

*Ember-days four times in the Year, viz.
Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday.*

1 Next after the First Sunday of Lent.

2 In Whitsun-week.

3 Next after the Fourteenth of September,
being the Exaltation of the Cross.

4 Next after the Thirteenth of December,
being S. Lucy's Day.

**Days of Abstinence from Flesh,
tho not Fasts of Obligation.**

All Saturdays, except those in *Lent*, and
those on which *Eves* or *Ember-day* fall.

All Sundays in *Lent*.

The Three Rogation-days, viz. Monday,
Tuesday, and Wednesday before *Ascension*
day.

S. *Mark's* Day, unless it falls in *Easter-*
Week.

The time of Marriage.

THe Solemnizing of Marriage is for-
bidden from the *First Sunday* of
Advent, till after *Twelfth-day*, and from
the beginning of *Lent*, till *Low-Sunday*;
all other Times it may be Solemnized.

Necessary Rules for a Christian.

You must often Examine your Thoughts, Words and Actions, especially after much Business, Speeches, &c. that you may discern and amend your Faults.

Hold your peace in such things as belong not to you, and where your Speech is not for the Honor of God, or Good of your Neighbor.

Often call to mind your Life past, and what our Saviour suffer'd for you in every hour of His.

You must live as though you had nothing, and yet possessed all things; and remember, that Meat, Drink, and Cloath, are a Christian's Riches.

Offer your self entirely to God; and though you have nothing to requite his Favors with, but your self, you will be comforted when you consider, that He gives All, that gives Himself. The Apostles left their poor Boats and Nets, and received for them a most ample Reward. The poor Widow gave only two Mites, and her Oblation was preferred before those of the richest Persons.

He easily parts with all things, who always considers that he must die, and be taken from them.

In open Assemblies use no extravagant or unusual Gestures, but in all things observe a grave Modesty and Discretion.

In all things desire and prefer that which conduceth most to the Service and Glory of God: As to Comfort the Afflicted, Reconcile such as are at Variance, Visit the Sick, and such as are in Prison, and Relieve the Poor.

Never go to Bed with any disquiet on your Mind, but endeavour to pacifie your Conscience by Confession, or an Act of Contrition, if there be occasion for it.

Every eight days Confess your Sins. Often make Acts of Contrition, and daily use Aspirations or Ejaculatory Prayers, that so you may prevent the Deceits of the Devil.

The

The beginning of the Gospel according to St. *John*.

Glory be to thee, O Lord.

IN the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and God was the Word. This was in the beginning with God: All things were made by him, and without him was made nothing which was made. In him was life, and the life was the light of men: And the light shined in darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it. There was a man sent from God, whose name was *John*. This man came for Testimony, to give testimony of the light, that all might believe through him. He was not the light. It was the true light which enlightneth every man that comes into this world. He was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not. He came
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into his own, and his own received him not. But as many as received him, he gave them power to be made the Sons of God, to those that believe in his Name. Who not of blood, nor of the will of flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God are born. *And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt in us.* (And we saw the glory of him, glory as it were, of the only begotten of the Father) full of Grace and Truth.

Resp. Thanks be to God.

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CHRISTIAN DOCTRIN.

The Lords Prayer.

OUR Father, who art
in Heaven, Hallowed
be thy Name: Thy
Kingdome come: Thy
Will be done on
Earth, as it is in
Heaven: Give us this
day our daily Bread: Forgive us our tres-
passes, as we forgive them that trespass
against us: And lead us not into temp-
tation. But deliver us from evil. *Amen.*

The Angelical Salutation.

HAIL Mary, full of Grace, our
Lord is with thee: Blessed art
thou among Women; and blessed is the
Fruit of thy Womb, *Jesus*. Holy Mary,
Mother of God, Pray for us Sinners,
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now, and in the hour of our death.
Amen.

The Apostles Creed.

I Believe in God the Father Almighty, Creator of Heaven & Earth ; And in *Jesus Christ*, his only Son, our Lord ; Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin *Mary* ; Suffered under *Pontius Pilate*, Was crucified, dead and buried, Descended into Hell ; The third day he rose again from the dead ; Ascended into Heaven, Sits at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty ; From thence he shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost ; The holy Catholick Church ; The Communion of Saints ; The forgiveness of sins ; The resurrection of the Body ; And life everlasting. *Amen.*

The Ten Commandments.

I AM the Lord thy God, who brought thee out of the Land of *Egypt*, and out of the House of Bondage.

I. Thou shalt not have strange Gods before me : Thou shalt not make to thy self a graven thing, nor any similitude that is in Heaven above, or in the Earth below, or of things that are in the Water

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under the Earth : Thou shalt not adore nor worship them. I am the Lord thy God, strong and jealous, visiting the sins of the Fathers upon their Children to the third and fourth generation of them that hate me ; and shewing mercy to thousands of those that love me, and keep my Commandments.

II. Thou shalt not take the Name of the Lord thy God in vain ; for our Lord will not hold him guiltless that takes his name in vain.

III. Remember thou keep Holy the Sabbath-day.

IV. Honour thy Father and Mother.

V. Thou shalt not kill.

VI. Thou shalt not commit Adultery.

VII. Thou shalt not steal.

VIII. Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy Neighbour.

IX. Thou shalt not desire thy Neighbours Wife.

X. Thou shalt not covet thy Neighbour's Goods.

The Seven Sacraments.

1. Baptism.

Matth. 28. 19.

2. Confirmation.

Acts 8. 17.

3. Eucharist.

Mat. 26. 26.

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4. Penance

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| 4. Penance. | <i>Job. 20. 23.</i> |
| 5. Extreme Unction. | <i>Jam. 5. 14.</i> |
| 6. Holy Order. | <i>Matth. 26</i> |
| 7. Matrimony. | <i>Matth. 19. 6.</i> |

The Three Theological Vertues.

1. **F**Aith, 2. Hope. 3. Chari-
ty.

The four Cardinal Vertues.

1. **P**rudence. 2. Justice. 3. For-
titude. 4. Temperance.

The Seven Gifts of the Holy Ghost.

1. **W**isdom. 2. Understanding.
3. Counsel. 4. Fortitude.
5. Knowledge. 6. Godliness. 7. The
fear of our Lord.

The Twelve Fruits of the Holy Ghost.

1. **C**harity. 2. Joy. 3. Peace. 4. Pa-
tience. 5. Benignity. 6. Good-
ness. 7. Longanimity. 8. Mildness.
9. Faith. 10. Modesty. 11. Conti-
nency. 12. Chastity.

Two Precepts of Charity.

THOU shalt love the Lord thy
God with thy whole heart, with
thy whole soul, with all thy strength, and
with all thy mind. And

And thy Neighbour as thy self.

The Precepts of the Church.

1. **T**O keep certain appointed Days holy ; which Obligation chiefly consists in hearing Mass, and resting from all servile Works.

2. To observe the commanded days of Fast and Abstinence.

3. To pay Tythes to your Pastor.

4. To confess your sins to your Pastor at least once a year.

5. To receive the blessed Sacrament, and that at *Easter*, or thereabouts.

6. Not to marry at certain Times, and within certain Degrees of Kindred, nor privately without Witness.

The Corporal Works of Mercy.

TO feed the Hungry.

To give drink to the Thirsty.

To cloathe the Naked.

To visit and ransom Captives.

To Harbour the Harbourless.

To Visit the Sick.

To Bury the Dead.

Spiritual Works of Mercy.

TO Correct the Sinner.

To Instruct the Ignorant.

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To Counsel the Doubtful.
To Comfort the Sorrowful.
To bear Wrongs patiently.
To forgive all Injuries.
To pray for the Living and the Dead.

The Eight Beatitudes.

1. **B**less'd are the poor in spirit; for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven.
2. Bless'd are the meek; for they shall possess the Land.
3. Bless'd are they that mourn; for they shall be comforted.
4. Bless'd are they that hunger and thirst for Righteousness; for they shall be filled.
5. Bless'd are the merciful; for they shall find mercy.
6. Bless'd are the clean in heart; for they shall see God.
7. Bless'd are the peace-makers; for they shall be called the Sons of God.
8. Bless'd are they that suffer persecution for righteousness; for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven.

Of Sin.

Sin is two-fold. Original, Actual.
Actual Sin is divided into Mortal.
Venial. Seven

Seven Capital sins (commonly call'd) Mortal or Deadly sins.

Pride.	Contrary Virtues.	Humility.
Covetousness.		Liberality.
Lust.		Chastity.
Anger.		Meekness.
Gluttony.		Temperance.
Envy.		Brotherly Love.
Sloth.		Diligence.

Six sins against the Holy Ghost.

1. Presumption of Gods Mercy.
2. Despair,
3. Impugning the known truth.
4. Envy at anothers Spiritual good.
5. Obstinacy in sin.
6. Final Impenitence.

Things necessary for a penitent Sinner.

Contrition of Heart.

Entire Confession to a Priest, capable and approved.

Satisfaction by Work.

True Contrition consists in hearty displeasure at sin past, for the love of God, and full resolution not to sin any more.

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Four Sins crying to Heaven for Vengeance.

1. **W**ilful Murther. 2. Sodomy. 3. Oppression of the Poor. 4. Defrauding Labourers of their Wages.

Nine ways of being accessory to another Persons Sin.

1. **B**Y Counsel.
2. By Command.
3. By Consent.
4. By Provocation.
5. By Praise or Flattery.
6. By Concealment.
7. By Partaking.
8. By Silence.
9. By Defence of the ill done.

Three eminent good Works.

1. **A**lmsdeeds, or Works of Mercy.
2. Prayer. 3. Fasting.

Three Evangelical Counsels.

1. **V**oluntary Poverty.
2. Perpetual Chastity.
3. Entire Obedience.

The four last things to be remembred.

1. **D**eath. 2. Judgment. 3. Hell.
4. Heaven.

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An Instruction for the Morning.

First, when thou awakest, bless thy self with the Sign of the Cross, and pray to God, that he would so enlighten thee with the light of his holy Spirit, that thou be not enticed to consent to sin, and consequently seduced to death.

Secondly, when thou hast put on thy Cloathes, give not thy self to Babling, or vain Fancies, but lift up thy heart to God in silence, and prepare thy self to Pray, as hereafter follows.

Thirdly, after Prayer, purpose firmly and constantly with thy self, not to commit willingly that Day any thing, whereby God or thy Neighbour may be offended.

Lastly, It is very necessary to call to mind thy Affairs, and with quietness of spirit resolve with thy self how to spend the day to come.

A Prayer to be said when you awake from Sleep.

O Holy Trinity, one God, defend me this day from the deceits and temptations of the Devil: Keep me from all mortal Sin, and still preserve me from sudden and unprovided Death. Raise up, O God, my Body from sleep and drowsiness, and my Soul from sin, that I may praise and glorify thy holy Name; to whom belongs all Benediction, and Honour, and Wisdom, and Thanksgiving, now, and for ever. *Amen.*

At your Up-rising.

IN the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ crucified, I arise, Bless me, O Lord, govern me, keep me, and confirm me in all good Works this Day, and for ever; and after this short and miserable Pilgrimage, bring me to everlasting happiness. *Amen.*

When you are forth of your Bed.

O Dear Jesu, the everlasting repose of thy Elect, when will the hour come, that my poor Soul shall enter into

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into those happy Regions of Peace and Rest, prepared for us in thy celestial Glory?

In putting on your Clothes.

O Sweet Jesu, that the shame of my sinful Soul may not be seen, clothe it with the Robes of thy Justice, and cover it with the Ornaments of all manner of Grace and Vertue. *Amen.*

When you have put on your Clothes.

O Most amiable J E S U, the true Spouse of my Soul, give me the wedding Garment of Divine Love, and perpetual Charity. *Amen.*

In Washing your Hands, say,

O My Lord God, who so lovedst us, as to wash our Souls in thy precious Blood; purify I beseech thee, my Heart and my Hands from all the spots of filth and Sin. *Amen.*

In Washing your Mouth.

O Divine Wisdom, the eternal Word of thy Heavenly Father, I humbly beseech thee with thy Grace to purge my Lips from all wicked and

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unprofitable words, that my mouth may never open, but to thy praise, and the Benefit of others.

In Washing your Eyes.

O True and indeficient Light, who enlightenest every one that comes into the World, Enlighten the Eyes of my Soul, that in all things I may perfectly see, and perform thy blessed Will and Pleasure. *Amen.*

The Blessing,

GOd the Father bless me, JESUS Christ defend and keep me, the Vertue of the Holy Ghost, enlighten and direct me, now and for ever. *Amen.*

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An Exercise for the M O R N I N G.



IN the Name of the Father, and of
the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.
Amen.

Blessed be the holy and undivided
Trinity, now and for ever. *Amen,*

Our Father, &c.

Hail Mary, &c.

I believe in God, &c.

I Confess to Almighty God, to the
blessed Virgin *Mary*, to blessed Saint
Michael the Archangel, to blessed Saint
John Baptist, to the holy Apostles,
St. *Peter* and St. *Paul*, and to all the
Saints, that I have grievously sinned
in Thought, Word and Deed, thro'
my Fault, thro' my Fault, thro' my ex-
ceeding great Fault: Therefore I be-
seech the blessed Virgin *Mary*, the
blessed St. *Michael* the Archangel,
the blessed St. *John Baptist*, the holy

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Apostles, St. *Peter* and St. *Paul*, and all the Saints in Heaven to pray to God for me.

The great and glorious Lord of Heaven and Earth, have mercy on me, forgive me my sins, and bring me to everlasting Life. *Amen.*

May the Almighty Hand of our merciful God give me Pardon, Absolution, and full Remission of all my Sins. *Amen.*

O Lord God Almighty, who hast caused us to come to the beginning of this day : Save us this day by thy power; that this day we may fall into no Sin, but that whatever words may proceed, our thoughts and works may be directed to do thy Justice, through our Lord Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

O Most sweet Saviour Jesus Christ, open thou my Heart and Lips to praise and glorifie thy holy Name, which above all Names is blessed. Purifie my Soul from all evil and perverse thoughts, that my Lips may continually bless thee, my mind meditate on thee, and my life glorifie thee. And because, through thine only Goodness,

I am created to the Praise and Glory of thy holy Name ; Grant, I beseech thee, that in the sight of thy Divine Majesty, I may faithfully serve thee here, and eternally rejoyce with thee hereafter, who with the Father, and the Holy Ghost, livest and reignest one God, World without end.
Amen.

ALmighty God ! who dwelling in the highest Heavens , vouchsafest to regard the lowest Creature upon Earth , I humbly adore thy sacred Majesty, and with all the Forces of my Soul exalt and praise thy Name , for the infinite Blessings thou hast so freely bestowed on me ; for electing me in thy love, and creating me to thine own Image ; for redeeming me by thy Son, and sanctifying me with thy holy Spirit ; for preserving me in all the Chances and Encounters of this Life, and raising up my Thoughts to the hope of a better ; and particularly, for thy gracious Protection from the Dangers of this Night, and bringing me safely to the beginning of this Day. Continue, O Lord, thy Mercy

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to me. and as thou hast awakened my Body from sleep, so raise my Soul from sin, that I may walk soberly and chastly, as in the Day, in all holy Obedience before thy face.

Deliver me O merciful God, from the evils of this Day, and guide my feet in the ways of Peace; strengthen my Resolution to embrace with gladness, the Opportunities of doing good, and carefully avoid all Occasions of sin, especially those which I have found by experience to be most dangerous to my Soul: And when, thro' frailty I forget thee, do thou in mercy remember me, that, as I often fall by the evil inclination of my Nature, I may always rise again by the good Assistance of thy Grace. Make me diligent in the Duties of my Calling and state of Life, and not too solicitous for the Success of my Affairs, but in all the miscarriages and crosses of this World, absolutely submit to thy Divine Pleasure, and wholly rely on thy merciful Providence: Let thy Blessing be upon my actions, and thy Grace direct my intentions, that the whole course of my Life, and the principal

cipal design of my heart may always tend to the advancement of thy Glory, the good of others, and the eternal Salvation of my own Soul, through Jesus Christ our Lord, and only Savior; who with thee, and the holy Ghost, liveth and reigneth, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Give me Grace, O Lord, to do what thou commandest, and command what thou pleasest.

Give me Grace to suffer what thou permittest, and permit what thou pleasest.

The Blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost descend upon me, and dwell in my Heart for ever. *Amen.*

A devout Recommendation, which may be used every Morning, or at any other time.

I Adore and glorify thee, O blessed Trinity, God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost; I offer my self to thy Divine Majesty, humbly beseeching thee to take from me, and from all thy Faithful, whatever displeases thee, and to give us that which is grateful in

thy sight : Grant that we may here do what thou commandest, and hereafter receive what thou promisest.

To thee ; O Lord, I commend my Soul and Body, (*my Wife and Children, my Father and Mother, my Brethren and Sisters*) my Kinsfolk and Benefactors, my Friends and Familiars, all my nearest and dearest Relations, and all those for whom I am any ways bound to offer up my Prayers. To thee I commend the holy Catholick Church. To thee I commend this Kingdom and our gracious Sovereign. Grant , O Lord, that all may know thee, all may honour and reverence thee, all may love thee, and be loved by thee. Reduce those that err, and bring them again into the way , abolish Heresies, convert all to the true Faith, who as yet do not know thee. Grant us, O Lord, thy Grace, and keep us in thy peace ; may thy holy Will be done, and not ours : Comfort all those that lead their Lives in Sorrow, Misery or Temptations, and mercifully relieve them in their Afflictions, whether Spiritual or Corporal. Lastly, I commend all universally to thy holy Protection, that thou would-

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est vouchsafe to the Living, forgiveness of their sins, and to the Souls departed, everlasting rest. *Amen.*

Another.

INto the hands of thy unspeakable Mercy, O Lord, I commend my Soul and Body, my Senses, my Words, my Thoughts, and all my Actions, with all the Necessities of my Body and Soul, my going forth, and coming in, my Faith and Conversation, the course and end of my Life, the day and hour of my Death, my Rest and Resurrection with thy Saints and Elect. *Amen.*

A Prayer for perseverance in Goodness.

GRant, O my Lord Jesus Christ, that I may persevere in good purposes, and in thy holy Service to my Death, and that I may now this present Day perfectly begin; for all I have hitherto done is nothing. *Amen.*

A Prayer to our Blessed Lady.

HAil, O most holy and blessed Virgin *Mary*, full of celestial Grace, and replenished with Beauty and Comeliness, of whom, and by whom it pleased

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our Saviour Jesus Christ, the Son of God, the King of Heaven, the Brightness of his Fathers Glory, to be born and nourished; Obtain for me, O blessed Lady, of thine only begotten Son, whatever thou knowest to be necessary for the Salvation of my Soul. O Holy Mother of God, help my frailty and weakness, assist me this Day in all my Calamities, Temptations and Dangers; but especially at the hour of Death, vouchsafe not to depart from me, that by thy Prayers and Protection, I may be safe in that last and dangerous Battel. *Amen.*

A Prayer to your Guardian Angel.

O Angel of God, to whose holy care I am committed by the Supreme Clemency, illuminate, defend, and govern me this day, in all my Thoughts, Words and Actions. *Amen.*

Bless us, O Lord, and preserve us from all evil, and bring us to eternal Life: And may the Souls of the Faithful, thro' the Mercy of God, rest in Peace. *Amen.*

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lake *A Blessing.*

THE Peace of our Lord JESUS
Christ, the Vertue of his sacred
Passion; the Sign of the holy Cross;
the purity and humility of the bles-
sed Virgin *Mary*; the protection of
the Angels; and the intercession of all
the Saints and Elect of God, be
with me, and defend me now, and in
the hour of my Death, sweet Jesus,
Amen.

*When at Morning, Noon, and Evening the
Sign of the Salutation is given, say,*

THe Angel of God declared to *Mary*,
and she conceived by the holy
Ghost. *Hail Mary, &c.* Behold, the
Handmaid of the Lord; Be it unto
me according to thy word. *Hail Mary,*
&c. And the word was made Flesh
and dwelt amongst us. *Hail Mary, &c.*

A Prayer.

POur forth, we beseech thee, O
Lord, thy grace into our hearts,
that we, to whom the Incarnation of
Christ

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Christ thy Son was made
the Message of an Angel, m
Passion and Cross, be brought to the
Glory of his Resurrection, thro' the
same Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

May the Souls of the Faithful thro'
the mercy of God, rest in Peace. *Amen.*

In going forth of your House, say,

SHew me, O Lord, thy ways, and
teach me thy paths. Direct my
steps according to thy Word, that no
injustice rule over me. Make perfect
my goings in thy paths, that my steps
be not moved.

Grace before Meat.

Bless us, O Lord, and these thy
Gifts, which of thy Bounty we are
about to receive, thro' Christ our Lord.
Resp. Amen.

Grace after Meat.

WE give thee thanks, Almighty
God, for all thy Benefits, who
livest and reignest, world without end.
Resp. Amen.

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Vouchsafe, O Lord, for thy Names sake, to render to all our Benefactors life everlasting. *Resp.* Amen.

Vers. May the Souls of the Faithful, thro' the Mercy of God, rest in peace. *Resp.* Amen.

A Prayer for Scholars before Study.

O Incomprehensible Creator ; the true Fountain of Light, and only Author of all Knowledge ; who out of the Treasure of thy Wisdom, hast with wonderful Harmony disposed and ordered all the parts of the World: Vouchsafe, I beseech thee, to enlighten my Understanding with the Rays of thy Brightness, and drive from me all Darkness of Sin and Ignorance. Thou who makest eloquent the tongues of those that want Utterance, instruct my Tongue, and pour on my Lips the Grace of thy Blessing. Give me a diligent and obedient Spirit, quickness of apprehending, capacity of retaining, and the continual assistance of thy holy Grace, that I may apply all to thy Honour, and the everlasting Salvation of my own Soul, thro' Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

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The Blessing.

THe Blessing of God the Father, the
Grace of Jesus Christ our Lord,
and the Comfort of the Holy Ghost be
with us, and dwell in our hearts for
ever. *Amen.*

Prayers to be said at Night
before going to Bed.



IN the Name of the Father, and of
the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.
Amen.

Blessed be the holy and undivided
Trinity, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Our Father, &c.

Hail Mary, &c.

I believe in God, &c.

O Eternal, Infinite, and Almighty God, whose Glory the Heaven of Heavens is not able to contain,
Look down on thy unworthy Servant,
prostrate

prostrate, at the Feet of thy Mercy, and humbly confessing to thee, in the sight of all thy holy Angels and blessed Saints, the sinfulness and vanity of my Life, but especially the Transgressions of this Day, by which I have so lately offended thy Majesty, and so grievously wounded my own Soul.

I confess to Almighty God, to the blessed Virgin *Mary*, to blessed St. *Michael* the Archangel, to blessed St. *John Baptist*, to the holy Apostles St. *Peter* and St. *Paul*, and to all the Saints, that I have grievously sinned, in thought, word, and deed, thro' my fault, thro' my fault, thro' my exceeding great fault.

Here examin diligently what sins you may have saln into this Day, by thought, word, deed or omission, and humbly confessing them, say,

OF these, and all other my sins, I most earnestly repent, and am heartily sorry, for every thought, word, and deed, by which I have displeased the eyes of thy glory, and provoked thy wrath and indignation against me;
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especially for my disobedience to so holy a Law, and extream ingratitude to so gracious and bountiful a God. O Lord, I acknowledge that I have not merited the least of thy Mercies, but have deserved the greatest of thy Judgments; but thou hast revealed thy self to be a God of pity and compassion, forgiving the iniquities of such as truly repent, and absolving all those that voluntarily condemn themselves: Wherefore with a penitent and contrite heart, I freely confess the guiltiness of my own Conscience, and humbly offer these Prayers, &c. to thee for my Penance.

Say some Prayers, or do some other pious Act for your Penance, then say,

But since my unworthiness and many Imperfections, most justly discourage me from presuming on my own performances, and the riches of thy Mercy has provided for us a multitude of acceptable Intercessors: Therefore I beseech the blessed Virgin Mary, the blessed St. Michael the Archangel, the blessed St. John Baptist, the holy Apostles St. Peter and St. Paul,

Paul, and all the Saints in Heaven to pray to God for me.

The Great and Glorious Lord of Heaven and Earth, have mercy on me; forgive me my sins, and bring me to everlasting life. *Amen.*

May the Almighty hand of our merciful God give me pardon, absolution and full Remission of all my sins. *Amen.*

And now, O most gracious and liberal Benefactor, with my whole strength, with all the faculties of my Soul and Body, I praise and magnify thy Name, for thy great and innumerable Benefits, proceeding purely from thy Bounty, and intended wholly for my good; particularly for preserving me this Day in the midst of so many dangers incident to my Condition, and delivering me from so many Calamities and Miseries as are due to my sins.

Thou art my Creator (O my God) and kind Protector; thou art the ultimate end of my being, and supreme perfection of my Nature; under the shadow of thy Wings is perpetual repose, and from the light of thy countenance flows eternal joy and felicity: To thee be Glory and Honour, to thee
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Adoration and Obedience, from all thy Creatures for ever. *Amen.*

And since thou hast ordained us the Day to labour, and the Night to take our rest; as I praise thee for the blessings of this Day past, so I beseech thee for thy Protection this Night to come: Let the Eye of thy Providence watch over me, and thy Holy Angels pitch their Tents about me, that being safely deliver'd from all dangers, and comfortably refreshed with moderate sleep, I may the better be enabled to perform the Employments of my Calling and State of Life, and faithfully persevere in the Duties of thy Service; and so daily advance to new Victories over my Passions, and to a more perfect observance of thy Commandments, till having passed my days in thy Fear, I may end them in thy Favour, and rejoyce with thee for ever in thy Heavenly Kingdom, thro' Jesus Christ our Lord and only Saviour; who with thee and the Holy Ghost, liveth and reigneth ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Here say the Prayer, I adore and glorify, &c. as in Pag. 17.

An Act of Contrition.

O Dreadful Lord and most indulgent Father! I wretched worm have sinned against Heaven, and before thee, and am no more worthy to be called thy Servant, much less to be accounted thy Child, having repaid so much bounty with contempt, and so many benefits with ingratitude. Where shall I find punishment enough to be revenged of my Sins, and tears enough to wash away mine iniquities? Alas I grieve not at those pains, which I have deserved for my Rebellion; it only pierces my heart that I have offended a God, who ought to be beloved and honoured above all things.

What shall I say (dear Lord) in detestation of the Crimes I have committed? What shall I do to prevent my future Relapses? Father, from henceforth the face of sin shall be more hideous to me than Hell, and the least temptation to it more frightful than Death. Forgive (Almighty Love) forgive, and have not the sins of my Life past in remembrance. Why should the mighty Lord of Heaven and Earth

Earth be incensed against so poor, so contemptible an object? Look upon me (O my God) not in thine Anger, but according to the tender Bowels of thy infinit Mercy: For thou art our Father, and we are thy Children; thou art our Maker, and we are all as clay in thy hands. Thou canst with those waters drawn from the Fountains of our Savior, cleanse our pollutions; and with the mixture of one drop of his Blood, mould us again into Vessels of Honour. Of thee only (O merciful Father) I beg and hope for Pardon; upon thee only I call and depend for Assistance, that I may hereafter constantly serve thee with a true and faithful Obedience, and inseparably adhere to thee with a pure and perfect love for ever. *Amen.*

A Prayer for the Dead.

O God the Creator and Redeemer of all the Faithful; give to the Souls of thy Servants departed, full Remission of all their Offences, that thro' the help of pious Supplications, they may obtain the Pardon which they have always been desirous of, who livest and reignest, world without end. *Amen.*

Vers.

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Vers. Give them, O Lord, eternal rest.

Resp. And let perpetual light shine unto them.

Vers. May they rest in Peace.

Resp. Amen.

THE HYMN.

Te Lucis ante terminum.

BEfore the closing of the day,
Creator we thee humbly pray,
That for thy wonted mercies sake,
Thou us into protection take.

May nothing in our minds excite
Vain dreams and fancies of the night :
Keep off our Enemy, that so
Our Bodies no uncleanness know.

To Jesus from a Virgin sprung,
Be glory given, and praises sung :
The like to God the Father be,
And Holy Ghost eternally. *Amen.*

SAve us, O Lord, waking, and keep
us sleeping, that we may watch
with Christ, and rest in peace. *Amen.*

Preserve us as the Apple of thine
eye, and protect us under the shadow
of thy wings.

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Vouchsafe, O Lord, to keep us this Night without sin.

Have mercy on us, O Lord, have mercy on us.

Thy mercy be upon us, O Lord, as we have put our Trust in thee.

O Lord, hear my Prayer, and let my supplication come unto thee.

The Prayer.

Visit, we beseech thee, O Lord, this Habitation, and repel far from it all snares of the Enemy; let thy holy Angels dwell therein to preserve us in Peace, and thy Blessing be upon us for ever, thro' Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

To the blessed Virgin Mary.

O Holy and glorious Virgin Mary! I commit my Soul and Body to thy blessed trust, this Night and ever, especially in the hour of my Death. I recommend to thy merciful Charity, all my hope and consolation, all my distress and misery, my life and the end thereof, that by thy most holy Intercession, all my works may be directed

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rested according to the will of thy blessed Son. *Amen.*

A Prayer to your Guardian-Angel

O Angel of God, to whose holy care I am committed by the Supream Clemency, illuminate, defend and govern me this Night from all Sin and Danger. *Amen.*

The Blessing.

GOD the Father bless me, Jesus Christ defend and keep me, the vertue of the Holy Ghost enlighten and sanctify me this Night, and for ever. *Amen.*

Into thy Hands, O Lord, I commend my Spirit, Lord JESUS receive my Soul.

When you go to Bed, say,

IN the Name of our Lord JESUS Christ crucified, I lay me down to rest ; bless me, O Lord, defend and govern me, and after this short and miserable Pilgrimage, bring me to everlasting happiness.

*Prayers for Night.**A Prayer at setting to sleep.*

O Jesu Christ, whose unwearied Eye neither slumbers nor sleeps, but continually watches in the Defence of thy Servants, Receive me, I beseech thee, into thy Protection, and grant that when my Body is asleep, my Soul may be awake to thee, and that I may hereafter behold that blessed and heavenly Country, where thou with the Father, and the Holy Ghost, art eternal Governour, and where the Angels with the blessed Saints are Citizens for ever. *Amen.*

An instruction when thou canst not sleep.

When thou art in Bed, and canst not sleep, employ thy thoughts in some spiritual Exercise, as in saying thy Beads, or some other Prayers, or in meditating on some Passage of our Saviours Life or Passion; particularly how he spent that Night wherein he was taken in the Garden. Or else thou maist think on those uneasy Beds, which the Souls have in Hell or Purgatory.

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If thou chance to awake in the dead of the Night, forthwith imagin with thy self that thou art present among the Quires of Saints and Angels, and with sudden Acclamation cry out with them in the words of that Hymn, which they incessantly Sing both Day and Night, saying,

Sanctus, sanctus, sanctus, &c. Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabbath, Heaven and Earth are full of the Majesty of thy Glory.

Or, Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

*Live Jesus, live, and let it be
My life to dy for love of thee.*

Prayers.

PRAYERS

FOR

Every Day in the VWeek.

Prayers for SUNDAY.

MY loving Lord and merciful Creator, I miserable sinner present my self here before thine Eyes, humbly beseeching thee thro' thine infinite Bounty, to vouchsafe me thine Assistance, that I may sanctify this Day according to thy Commandment, and that of thy holy Church: Give me, O Lord, true Contrition of all the Sins I have committed against thee and my Neighbour, by thought, word, or deed, or by omission of such good Works, as I ought to have done.

And I humbly beseech thee, most sweet Jesus, not to consider the multitude of my Sins, but remember thy infinite

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finite mercy, grant me Grace to spend this Week following, without offending thee ; and for the sake of thy Death and Passion, give to all sinners knowledge and grace to do Penance in this World ; and particularly we entreat thee to have mercy on those, for whom thy holy Church commands that we should offer up our Prayers this day ; that all of us together with her may be made partakers of the infinite Merits of thy sacred Passion.
Amen.

The Antiphon.

O All ye Saints of God, vouchsafe to intercede for our Salvation.

Vers. Be glad in our Lord, and rejoyce ye just.

Resp. And glory all ye right in heart.

Let us pray.

Protect, O Lord, thy people, that call upon thee ; and grant to all those who confide in the patronage of thy Apostles, *Peter and Paul*, and thy other Apostles, preservation and perpetual defence.

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O Lord,

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O Lord, we beseech thee, that all thy Saints may every where help us ; and that whilst we reverently celebrate their merits, we may be sensible of their Patronages : Grant us thy peace in our time, and repel from thy Church all wickedness : Prosperously direct our ways, actions, and intentions, and those of all thy servants, in order to thy salvation : Give to our Benefactors, eternal Blessings, and to the faithful departed, everlasting Rest, through our Lord Jesus, &c. *Amen.*

Vers. O Lord hear my Prayer.

Resp. And let my supplication come unto thee.

Vers. Bless we our Lord.

Resp. Thanks be to God.

Vers. May the Souls of the Faithful, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Resp. Amen.

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MY Lord God, and most bountiful Saviour, Jesus Christ, who, when I was not, didst not only create me, but also render me capable of possessing thee

thee, the Sovereign and only good ; and when I was become a slave to Sin through my forefathers trespasses, didst redeem me with thy precious blood, and the loss of thy sacred Life, suffering the punishment due to my iniquities, that thou mightest deliver me from it. For these, O Lord, and all other thy inestimable Benefits, I yield thee most humble and hearty thanks, offering my self wholly to thee, as I am wholly thine, beseeching thee also of thy infinite mercy, to preserve me *this day* from offending thee, and direct all my thoughts, words, and works, to thy everlasting glory. My State and Calling is, as thou knowest, O Lord, exposed to many dangers, and by reason of my evil customs and wicked inclinations, it will hardly be possible for me, without thy special assistance, to pass this Life, and not offend. Refresh therefore, Lord, the powers of my Soul with the dew of thy divine Grace, and give me strength to fight more manfully, and to subdue all wicked suggestions for the future.

In all humility and sincerity of heart, I purpose (by thy gracious favour) never

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willingly to transgress thy Laws and Commandments any more: I detest all sin, and what may any way displease thee. I desire to love thee, fear thee, and serve thee, and to direct all my actions to thy honour and glory. Assist me, Lord, with thy grace, and enrich my poverty with the plenty of thy merits; wherefore in union with that Charity, wherewith thou descendedst from Heaven, into the blessed Virgins Womb, and afterwards offeredst up thy self on the Cross, in sacrifice for our Sins; in union with this thy incomprehensible love, I offer thee, whatever I shall do, think, or speak this day, beseeching thy merciful goodness so to govern and direct me, as that all may tend to the advancement of thy glory, my Neighbours welfare, and the benefit of my own Soul. To thee, my sweet and only Saviour Jesus Christ, be all glory and praise everlastingly. *Amen.*

*A devout Oblation of our Bodies and Souls
to Almighty God.*

O Holy Trinity, one God, have mercy on me; and help me now
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and always, that I may not delight in vain and transitory things.

O most blessed Lord, I adore thy Divine Majesty with my Body and Soul, with all the Members and Senses of the one, and all the Powers and Faculties of the other ; and I humbly offer them up all unto Thee, who gavest them to me, to do and suffer, with thy grace, whatever shall be pleasing to thee: Beseeching thee, that none of these things, which I now dedicate to thy holy Service, may ever offend thee.

Grant, O Lord, that my Tongue may be restrained from idle and sinful speech, my Hands from wicked actions, my Heart from unlawful desires, my Eyes from vain and dangerous objects, my Ears from hearkning to what is frivolous and hurtful, and my whole Man, both interior and exterior, from every thing which displeases thee.

Grant, O Lord, that I may so resist the temptations of the World, the Flesh and the Devil in this life, that hereafter I may be admitted to the everlasting Joys of thy heavenly Kingdom. *Amen.*

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A Prayer for the Dead.

O God, the giver of Pardon, and the lover of human Salvation, we beseech thy clemency, that for the intercession of the Blessed Virgin *Mary* and all thy Saints, thou wouldst be pleased to grant to the Brethren, Kinsfolks, and Benefactors of our Congregation, who are departed this life, a joyful fruition of thy eternal happiness. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Another.

O God the Creator and Redeemer of all the Faithful, give to the Souls of thy Servants departed, full remission of all their offences; that through the help of pious Supplications, they may obtain that pardon which they have alwaies been desirous of: who livest and reignest, world without end. *Amen.*

Vers. Eternal rest give to them, **O** Lord.

Resp. And let perpetual light shine unto them.

Vers. May they rest in peace.

Resp. Amen.

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GRant me, most merciful God, a fervent Zeal to desire such things as are acceptable to Thee, and a faithful diligence to search after them: Give me wisdom to find them, and thy Grace to accomplish them; to the praise and glory of thy holy Name. Direct thou my Life, that I may have the knowledge, will, and power to do always that which is most pleasing to thee, and most expedient for my own soul.

Let my way to thee, O Lord, be sure, strait and perfect, that neither Adversity make me faint, nor Prosperity cause me to fall away from thee, that I be not puffed up with pride by the one, nor driven down into despair by the other: But that in the one I may give thanks, and in the other be armed with patience. That I may rejoyce in nothing but what brings me nearer to Thee, my blessed Jesus, nor grieve at any thing, but

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that which withdraws me from thee ; that I may desire to please, or fear to displease none but thee, and for thee ; that all transitory things may for thy sake be of no account with me, and that whatever is agreeable to thy will, may be delightful to mine, and especially that thou, O my God, mayst be pleasing to me above all things ; that I may have no joy besides thee, nor desire of any thing but thee: Let all labour delight me, that is taken for thee, and all ease be unpleasant to me, which is without thee.

Make me lift up my heart often to thee, and lest I should forget my self, give me grace to call to mind my sins with sorrow, and full purpose of amendment. Grant that I may be obedient, without contradiction ; patient, without murmuring ; pure, without corruption ; humble, without counterfeiting ; cheerful, without levity ; sad, without dejection ; true, without doubleness : Grant that I may fear thee without despair ; and do good works without presumption : That I may tell my Neighbour his fault, without
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out flattery; and instruct him both by word and example, without either harshness or contempt.

Grant me, most loving Lord, a mind so watchful, that no worldly thought may be able to divert it from thee; a spirit so constant, that no evil affection or suggestion may withdraw it from thy Service; a heart so stable, that no trouble may overcome me; and so free from vice, that no sin may challenge any place in me.

Give me, O Lord, thy grace here in this transitory life, and in the world to come, make me partaker of thy Reward, and Heavenly Joy. Through the Precious Blood of that immaculate Lamb, our only Saviour Jesus Christ; to whom with the Father and the Holy Ghost, three Persons, and one God, be all honour and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

Most gracious God, the Author of all Sanctity, and Lover of Unity, whose Wisdom hath established an admirable Communion between thy Church Triumphant in Heaven and Militant on Earth, as Members of the

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same mystical Body, whereof thy Son Christ Jesus is the Head : Mercifully grant, that as thy Blessed Saints, without ceasing, pray to thee for us, we may continually praise thee for them, and in correspondence to their perfect charity, piously celebrate their memories, till we all meet before thy glorious Throne, and with one heart adore the Saviour of us all; who with thee and the holy Ghost, liveth and reigneth ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Vers. O Lord hear my Prayer.

Resp. And let my supplication come unto thee.

Vers. Bless we our Lord.

Resp. Thanks be to God.

Vers. May the Souls of the faithful, through the Mercy of God, rest in peace.

Resp. Amen.

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I Beseech thee, O most merciful Lord Jesus, that thou wouldst protect me
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from the danger of Business, and in ordinate Care, and so defend me from the temptations of this World, as that I may never be ensnared by any of its fond Enjoyments. Keep me, O Lord, from all irregular sadness, grief, and worldly fear, and from whatever thou knowest to be an hindrance to my Soul. And hereby, O Lord, I ask to be delivered, not only from the vanities of the World, but also from those miseries which proceed from the common malediction of mankind, and the universal corruption and distemper of Nature wherewith I am so much oppressed, that I have not liberty of spirit to behold thee when I would. Help me, O Lord, that flesh and blood may not overcome me, and cause me to prefer a short and deceitful pleasure, before an immense and eternal joy; that I may not make less account of the honour and treasures of thy everlasting Kingdom, than of the vain honours and perishing riches of the World; and lastly, that I may not be supplanted by the craft and wiles of the Enemy, who never ceases to endeavour my destruction. Give me

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O Lord, spiritual prudence to discern, courage to resist, patience to suffer, and constancy to persevere. Give me, for all Worldly Comforts, the most sweet consolation of the Holy Ghost; and, for all carnal love, infuse into my Soul the chaste Love of thy holy Name.

Meat, drink, clothing, sleep, and all other necessities, which our bodies require, are grievous and irksome to a fervent spirit, which if it might, would alwaies rest in spiritual Entertainments. It is not lawful for us to forsake all these things, because our bodies are to be preserved, but we are likewise forbidden by thy holy Law to seek them more for pleasure, than necessity. Grant us therefore thy Grace, that avoiding all superfluity and excess, we may so desire and use temporal things, that they may administer unto us an occasion of praising, but never of offending Thee: who livest and reignest World without end. *Amen.*

Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God;
whose Judgments are righteous,
and

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and Counsels unsearchable, who visitest the iniquities of the Parents upon the Children, to the third and fourth generation, and yet at length remembrest mercy: Forgive, we beseech thee, the sins of our forefathers, and turn away thy wrath from their posterity; deliver the ignorant from being seduced by false Teachers, and the learned from being abused by their passions, and the whole Nation from the spirit of contradiction, licentiousness, and discord; that instead of so many divisions and changes in Religion, under which they labour, they may again be restored to that unity of Mind, steddi-ness of Faith, and tranquility of Conscience, which is no where to be sought, but in the Communion of thy Church, nor possible to be found, but by the conduct of thy Grace.

O Eternal God, who in this great deluge of Heresie, which wholly overflows and almost covers the face of this Land, hast vouchsafed to select a small number for thy self, and save them in thy Holy Ark from the common inundation: We praise and

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glorifie thy infinite Goodness, by which alone we enjoy the comfort of a firm and settled Belief, free from the inconsistency of those, who, having no support, but their own fancies, float up and down a while, and sink at last into the gulf of infidelity: Make us sensible, O Lord, of these thy unspeakable Blessings, that as we know thee by a sure Faith, we may love thee with a perfect Charity, and fixing all our hopes on the joys of the future Life, patiently suffer what thou permittest here, and still press on to what thou promist hereafter, through JESUS Christ our Lord and only Saviour.

Amen.

Vers. O Lord hear my Prayer.

Resp. And let my supplication come unto thee.

Vers. Bless we our Lord.

Resp. Thanks be to God.

Vers. May the Souls of the Faithful, through the Mercy of God, rest in peace.

Resp. Amen.

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O Dearest Saviour Jesus Christ, who hast loved and washed us with thy precious Blood, and offered up thy self to death for us; who wast reckoned amongst the wicked, and most cruelly wounded for our iniquities. Thou wert bruised for our offences, and by thy stripes we are made whole; I beseech thee, O Lord, for the sake of thy unspeakable mercy, inflame my heart with thy heavenly Grace; that the fire of thy Charity may alwaies burn in my Soul; and produce in it such chaste affections, such a tender pitty, and such disinterested benevolence, as may, for the love of thee, and in imitation of thy universal love, be extended to all Creatures.

Fill my Soul, O Lord, with thy fervent and perpetual Charity, that in all things, and above all, I may love thee; and, according to thy holy Law, love my Neighbor in thee, and for thee.

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Grant me grace , I humbly beseech thee, that to thy greater glory, I may with all my heart, love , desire, and endeavour the salvation and advantage of every one.

Grant me, O Lord , perfectly to love mine Enemies , not in word or shew only, but indeed and truth. Take from me all bitterness of mind, all anger, disdain , suspicion , envy, and whatever is contrary to pure and sincere Charity ; so that in plain simplicity of heart, I may have a good opinion of all, judging none rashly, but loving every one in thee , with most holy and hearty affection , and that I may shew them both by words and actions, all sweetness , clemency and love. *Amen.*

*A Prayer, that we may receive
the B. Sacrament before our
Death.*

O My God , and my Lord , I praise and bless thee , that thou hast vouchsafed me the grace, often to participate of thy great Mysteries ; to be fed with the Divine
Food

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Food of thy holy Sacrament, and comforted with thy sweet and blessed presence. O Father of mercies, and God of all consolation, let every Tongue bless thee, and every Creature celebrate thy Bounty for this inestimable Gift. And, as for me, because Praise is uncomely in the Mouth of a Sinner, I humbly offer thee, O my God, all the Praises of the Angels, and blessed Saints, who continually adore thee, and sing thy glory.

O glorious Jesus, I beseech thee, before I dye, vouchsafe me the Graces of true Confession, Contrition, and Satisfaction for all my offences, and that, at the hour of my death, I may humbly adore, and devoutly receive thee, God and Man, Christ Jesus Saviour of the World, in the most holy Sacrament of the Altar. And so, with full pardon of all my Sins, I may end my life in peace, in the true Faith of thy holy Church, and in perfect love and charity with all the World. *Amen.* Conclude as pag. 50.

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O Sovereign, dreadful, and most loving Lord, my God, who never ceaseſt to ſhew thy mercy towards Sinners ; and ſuch is thine infinite clemency and love, that, even when they offend and trespafs againſt thee, thou forbearſt not to heap thy benefits upon them : I moſt ſinful wretch, yield thee humble thanks for thy ineffable goodneſs in creating me to thine own likeneneſs, rendring me capable of thy everlaſting Glory, and in making ſo many other Creatures for my uſe and ſuſtenance.

I bleſs thee, for that inestimable work of my Redemption, whereby thou deliveredſt me from the ſlavery of Satan, and purchaſedſt for me a free entrance into thy Celeſtial Kingdom. For having ſingled me out amongſt ſo many millions, that know thee not, and lye buried in ignorance, and miſerable errors, to be thy ſervant, and a Member of the true Catholic Church. For thy moſt holy Sacraments ; eſpecially, for that glorious Myſtery

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Mystery above all others, wherein thou art thy self most really contained. For preserving me so many times from Hell, which my Sins would long since have cast me into, had not thy inestimable goodness delivered me. For these and all other thy benefits, namely, for those thou hast most bountifully bestowed upon me, O my Sovereign Lord, I offer thee the most sincere, and most dutiful thanks, that my poor heart is capable of affording, beseeching the Blessed Virgin, and all the Saints of Heaven, to supply my defects with their perfect Praises.

And now my only Redeemer and Saviour, I humbly crave the light of thy Grace, to know wherein I have any ways offended thee, and that by mature and sound discussion of my Conscience, I may see my own sins with sorrow, and thy unspeakable mercy, with a zealous and firm purpose of amendment. Thou seest, O Lord, my sinfulness, and knowest my misery much better than my self. I am sorry with all my heart, that I should still offend so loving a Lord, and wish

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that my sorrow were far greater. I purposed to do better by thy grace, which was not wanting; yet I have fallen again into my former trespasses. Thy goodness, O Lord, forbids me to despair, and therefore I will continually trust to thy mercies in all Events; and firmly resolve every day to amend my life. Deliver me, O my God, from all mortal sin for ever, and give me grace so to strive against my venial Sins, that at last I may wholly overcome them. And for satisfaction of these, and all my former offences, and for the offences of the whole World, as also for thy unspeakable benefits bestowed on me and all Mankind, I offer thee the Merits of thy bitter Passion, those most precious drops of Blood which thou shedst for our Salvation, and that enflam'd charity, wherewith thou wholly resignest thy self to all thy torments, for our sakes.

And in union with this thy holy Oblation, I offer up my self, and all I have, to thy honour and everlasting glory. I keep back nothing, but give all to thee, whose it is; and make that thine by my will, which is thine by justice.

Give

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Give me thy grace, O my God, to live better hereafter, and to confess my sins in due time to my Ghostly Father : Give me true Humility and Repentance, Grace to know thee, and my self; Purity of heart in all my doings, Patience, Chastity, and perfect Charity: Give me a good life, and a happy death ; and in order thereunto in the dangerous hour of my departure, grant me the assistance of the blessed Saints and holy Angels, that together with them, through thy mercy, I may praise and glorifie thee for ever. *Amen.*

O Jesus, my dear Saviour, be merciful to me a sinner.

A short Prayer to our blessed Saviour, which may be said at any hour, and repeated five times, in honour of his five wounds, or any other Mystery of our Redemption, together with Our Father, &c. Hail Mary, &c. and I believe in God, &c.

GLory, honour, and praise be to our Lord Jesus Christ ; may all the world adore thee ; Blessed be thy holy Name, who for us sinners vouchsafest to be

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be born of an humble Virgin; and blessed be thine infinite Goodness, who diedst on the Cross for our Redemption.

O Jesus, Son of God, and Saviour of Mankind, have mercy on us, and so dispose our lives here by thy Grace, that we may hereafter rejoyce with thee for ever in thy Glory. *Amen.*

Vers. O Lord hear my Prayer.

Resp. And let my supplication come unto thee.

Vers. Bless we our Lord.

Resp. Thanks be to God.

Vers. May the Souls of the Faithful, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Resp. Amen.

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I Adore thee, most merciful God, and give thee thanks for thy unmeasurable Clemency, and infinite Goodness, by which thou not only suffereest us miserable and ungrateful Sinners to live, who are wholly unworthy of Life, but also pardonest us our Offences, and bestowest thy Benefits upon us. Let therefore at last thy
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goodness, O God, overcome our wickedness, thy Compassion mollifie our hardness, thy most burning Charity melt our frozen hearts, that we may be changed from vessels of wrath, into vessels of mercy; and being freed from all our sins, may be so much more fervent in loving thee, by how much we have hitherto been cold in thy Service.

Sweet Jesus, grant us grace to run after thee, and so to imitate the steps of thy Life and Passion, that the fervour of our present Devotion may recompence in us the sloth and tepidity of our former Conversation: Grant that at length we may be converted to thee with our whole heart, and being confirmed in thy Grace, may praise thee our Redeemer and Saviour for ever.

In the first place, O infinite Goodness, I ask this mercy for my self, a most miserable sinner, who have so much more need of the help of thy Grace than others, as I am weaker and less able to do good. Thou knowest also, most gracious God, how unprofitable I am, and how often I hinder

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der the operation of thy Grace, not only in my self, but in others also. Wherefore, O most liberal and merciful Lord, I humbly beseech thee for all those who are committed to my charge, or otherwise recommended to my Prayers. I recommend them, O Lord, to thy holy Protection, and lay them within thy most loving heart; Preserve them, I beseech thee, according to thy good Pleasure, and bring them to life everlasting.

O Lord my God, I beseech thee for those amongst whom I dwell, that by the shedding of thy precious Blood, and by the bottomless depth of all thy Mercies, thy grace may abound, and be confirmed in us all, so that none of us may perish for ever. Give us O Lord, all spiritual and temporal Necessaries, and so govern and direct us in thy ways, that we may still proceed in thy holy service, and at length, be received into thy everlasting Kingdom.

O most sweet Jesus, most faithful Lover, I offer and recommend to thee, all such as have desired my unworthy Prayers. Thou art most merciful, and
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abundantly rich for all : According to their need and thy mercy, glorifie thy Name in them. Deal with us, not according to our own demerits, but according to thine own infinite goodness. *Amen.*

A Prayer to the blessed Virgin Mary.

O Blessed Virgin *Mary*, immaculate Mother of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, recommend, we beseech thee, these our imperfect Prayers to the mercy of thy glorious Son, and offer him thine own most acceptable intercession for us, that he would be pleased to pardon our sins past, and deliver us from future Temptations, and protect us in all our ways, with the assistance of his grace.

O blessed Virgin, by that unspeakable gladness, which filled and overflowed thy Spirit, when the Angel declared to thee the adorable Mystery of our Saviours Incarnation, and by that perfect resignation of thy self to the Will of God, when thou humbly answeredst, *Behold, the handmaid of our Lord,* let it be done unto me according to thy Word : We beseech thee to obtain for
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us the graces of a lively Faith, a discreet Humility and a cheerful Submission to the Divine Will in all things.

O admirable Mother, by thy tender love and continual service of the blessed Jesus in his Infancy, and by that incomparable Happiness thou afterwards enjoyedst in his heavenly Doctrine and miraculous Life : We beseech thee to obtain for us a diligent Devotion and a constant Perseverance in our Duty to God, that our delight may be in his Law, and our Confidence in his holy Protection.

O Mother of Pity and Compassion, by those sharp sorrows which pierced thy heart, when thou wast a sad witness of thy Son's sufferings, and beheldst him in that bitter Agony, all torn with cruel scourges, and bleeding on the Cross, forsaking of his Friends, and dying in the midst of his Enemies ; We beseech thee to obtain for us, Compassion towards the Afflictions of others, and Patience in our own, and also a faithful Correspondence to the great love of our Redeemer.

O glorious Virgin ! by those excessive joys wherewith thy soul was wholly

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ly ravished at the victorious Resurrection of thy Son, and his triumphant Ascension above the highest Heavens: We beseech thee to obtain for us the blessing of a virtuous Life, an holy Death, and a happy Resurrection, that we may for ever rejoyce in the presence of God, admire his Glory, and praise his Goodness, thro' the same Jesus Christ; who with the Father and the holy Ghost, liveth and reigneth, one God, World without end. *Amen. Conclude as Pag. 58.*

A most devout Act of Contrition, very useful for the stirring up in our Souls an hearty Sorrow for having offended Almighty God, and a firm Resolution of never offending him any more.

Veni Sancte Spiritus, &c.

O My God! O God of my heart! of my soul! of my life! and of all that

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that is within me ! whom I have so much offended ! so much, O my God and my Lord, that neither the Sands of the Sea-shore, the Stars of the Heavens, the Flowers of the Field, nor the Leaves of the Trees, can equal the boundless number, or unspeakable variety of my sins. I have sinned, O Lord ; I have offended thee ; I have done evil before the face of Heaven and Earth ; I have departed from thy law ; I have turned my back on thy grace, adored what offended thee, made an Idol of my guilt, and run on without fear or shame in the ways of Deceit, Vanity and Perdition. Ah ! my God ! how much it grieves me for having so much offended thee ; I am grieved for grieving so little, when the injuries I have done thee are so great ; I am more troubled at the greatness of the ingratitude wherewith I have offended thee, than at the greatness of the Torment which I have deserved. But, O Lord, what do I say ? O my God, my grief is none at all. A Grief which doth not put an end to life, is not Grief ; A Sorrow which doth not tear from me this Soul of mine, is not Sor-

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row : A Contrition which doth not even break my heart into pieces, is not to be accounted Contrition. I would have the Sorrow for my sins to be as great as the sins themselves : I would have the Regret for having displeased thee, to hold proportion with the Injuries committed against thee : I would have a grief equal to thy Mercy : I would willingly bewail my great sins with tears of Blood, more for the Offence and Injury which they have caused against thee, than for the Damage and Perdition which they bring upon my self. I wish, O Lord, that as in offending thee the guilt was infinite, so in repenting thereof the grief were also infinite. But where shall I find so deep a sense of sorrow, save only in the Fountain of thy grace ? Where shall I find such a grief, save only in the Knowledge of thy immense goodness, and of my infinite malice ? Whence are those tears to flow, save only from the Ocean of thy mercy ? Here I come to thy Feet : Consider not in what manner, in what time, how late : Consider only that I come. Ah ! Lord, how miserable do I come !

How

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How filthy ! How abominable ! Clad with the ugliness of my sins : Covered with the filthiness of my Offences, and full of the Abominations and Vices of my Life ! but because they are thy Feet to which I come, O my God ! I come with the Confidence of finding in thy mercy a secure Haven, in thy Compassion a Defence, in thy Clemency a Refuge, and in thy Goodness a Remedy. Wherefore , O Lord, trembling at thy Justice, I seek no other Refuge save that of thy Mercy : I pretend no shelter but thy Clemency : In thee I trust, O my God : For tho' by sin I have lost the nature and privilege of a Son, yet thou, O Lord, infinitely good, dost not lose the nature and condition, which thou hadst of a Father. Let then, O Lord , thy infinite grace compleat that work in me, which thy infinite mercy has begun. Let thy clemency come to the succour of this miserable Creature : Take pity and compassion of this poor Soul. I purpose with thy grace to amend my Life, to confess my Faults, to persevere in thy Service , to pardon Injuries, to avoid the occasions of
Evil,

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evil, to abhor my Vices, to make such Restitution as I am able, and to comply, as I am bound, with thy holy Commandments. I trust, O Lord, in thy infinite goodness, that thou wilt pardon all my sins, thro' the Death and Passion of my Lord Jesus Christ ; For tho' in his Wounds there is Justice to punish me, yet in the same Wounds there is likewise Mercy to forgive me. Mercy ! Mercy ! Mercy ! dear Jesus, Mercy.

An Oblation to Almighty God,
which may be made every
Morning and Evening.

O My most merciful Lord, and everliving God ! Behold, I a most wretched and ungrateful sinner, prostrate, adore and worship thee, offering up in all humility immortal Praise and Thanksgiving for all thy Blessings, especially for that unspeakable Charity, wherewith thou didst send down thy only begotten Son into this vale of tears for the work of our Redemption. Eternal

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Eternal Lord of Heaven and Earth, I praise and magnifie thy ever-glorious Name, for thy Sons most holy Incarnation and Nativity, for his Poverty and innocent Conversation; for his Heavenly Doctrine and Miracles; for his Death and Passion; for his Resurrection and Ascension.

I yield thee all possible thanks for that Divine Mystery of his precious Body and Blood in the Venerable Sacrament of the Eucharist, wherewith we are nourished, cleansed, and sanctified, and our Souls made partakers of all Heavenly Graces and spiritual Benedictions.

I give thee most humble and hearty thanks, that of a handful of dust and nothing, thou wert pleased to make me according to thine own Image, rendring me capable of thy eternal glory: For the obtaining of which, thou didst vouchsafe first to wash me with the Laver of Baptism, for the remission of that Original Corruption, which was contracted by my first Parents, and afterwards thou broughtest me to the Exercises and Acts of a right Faith not ceasing daily to increase

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crease the same in me, by the Doctrine and Instruction of thy Church.

I most humbly thank thee also, that from my Cradle thou hast nourished and clothed me, supplying all things necessary for the Relief and Maintenance of this my frail Body.

I evermore extol and magnifie thy holy Name, that in thy great mercy thou hast hitherto spared, and patiently expected me, till by thy Grace I might be awaked from the sleep of Sin, and reclaimed from my Vanities and wicked Courses: For hadst thou dealt with me according to my demerits, my Soul (being oppressed with innumerable sins) had long ere this been plunged in eternal Perdition.

In consideration of all which thy mercies and blessings, I most humbly desire, that my heart may every day be enlarged, that it may still render thee a more ample Tribute of Praise and Thanksgiving than it did before.

O my Lord God, and most merciful Father, never leave me to my self, but let thy holy fear be ever in my thoughts, to curb and keep me within the Compass of thy Obedience ;
that

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that I may dread nothing so much in this World, as in the least manner to offend thee : let thy holy love so temper all tryals and temptations which befall me, that none of them at any time may overcome me ; for thou knowest how frail I am of my self, and that my strength is nothing.

Moreover (most merciful Father) I beseech thee by the profound Humility of thy only Son Jesus Christ, that thou wouldst preserve me from all Pride and Superfluity, all Self-love and Vain-glory, all Obstinacy and Disobedience. Cast out of my Heart, I beseech thee, the Spirit of Gluttony and Uncleaness, the Spirit of Sloth and ind devotion, the spirit of Malice and Envy, the spirit of Hatred and Disdain ; that I may never despise any of thy Creatures, nor proudly prefer my self before others, but alwaies seem little in mine own Eyes, inclining to think the best of others, and still judge the worst of my self.

Clothe me (O most holy Father) with the Wedding-garment of thy beloved Son, the supernatural Vertue of Heavenly Charity, that I may love thee,
my

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my Lord God with all my Heart, with all my Soul, and with all my Strength ; that neither life nor death , prosperity nor adversity , nor any thing else, may ever separate me from thy Love. Grant that all inordinate Affection to the transitory things of this World, may daily decrease in me, that thou mayst be the only entertainment and delight of my Soul.

O my most gracious God ! give thy Servant an humble, contrite and obedient Heart ; an Understanding always employ'd in honest and pious Thoughts ; a Will tractable , and ever inclin'd to do good ; Affections calm and moderate ; a watchful custody over my Senses, that by those windows no sin may enter into my Soul ; a perfect government of my Tongue, that no corrupt or unseemly language may proceed from my Lips, that I may never slander or speak ill of any, nor busie my self about the Faults and Imperfections of others, but wholly attend to the amendment of my own.

And finally (most loving Lord) so long as I am detained in this prison of my Body, let this be my Comfort, that
being

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being free from all Distractions both of the Cares and Pleasures of this Life, I may wholly devote my self to thy Service, attending always to thy heavenly Doctrine, and the good motions of thy holy Spirit. In these sweet Exercises let me pass the solitary hours of my tedious confinement, with patience expecting the shutting up of my days, and a happy end of this my miserable life.

And grant, O Redeemer of Mankind, my Lord and God, that when this my earthly Tabernacle shall be dissolved, being found free from all Pollution of sin, through sincere Contrition, and the Vertue of the Sacraments of thy holy Church, I may be reckoned in the number of those blessed Souls, who through thy Merits and Passion are held worthy to reign with thee, and to enjoy the glorious presence of the blessed Trinity, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost: to whom, by all Creatures in Heaven and Earth, be rendred Praise and Thanksgiving, world without end. *Amen.*

O Lord my God, O Lord my God, possess my Soul, possess my Soul for ever and ever. *Amen. Amen.* The

The short Litany of our B. Sa- viour *Jesus*.



Lord have mercy on us.
Christ, have mercy on us.

Lord, have mercy on us.

Jesus receive our Prayers.

Lord Jesus grant our Petitions.

O God the Father, Creator of the
World, *Have mercy on us.*

O God the Son, Redeemer of Man-
kind, *Have mercy on us.*

O God the Holy Ghost, Perfector of
the Elect, *Have mercy on us.*

Holy Trinity, one God, *Have mer-
cy on us.*

Jesus, Son of the living God, *Have
mercy on us.*

Jesus the express Image of thy Fa-
ther's Glory, *Have mercy on us.*

Jesus, the bright Ray of eternal
Light, *Have mercy on us.*

Jesus, the increated Wisdom, by
whom all things are governed, *Have
mercy on us.*

Jesus



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Jesus, the eternal Word, made Man
for our Redemption, *Have mercy on
us.*

Jesus, most blessed Son of the Virgin
Mary, *Have mercy on us.*

Jesus most powerful, *Have mercy on us.*

Jesus, most glorious, *Have mercy on us.*

Jesus most humble and meek, *Have
mercy on us.*

Jesus, most patient and obedient,
Have mercy on us.

Jesus, most chaste and holy, *have mer-
cy on us.*

Jesus, lover of Poverty, *Have mercy
on us.*

Jesus, lover of Peace, *Have mercy on
us.*

Jesus, lover of us ingrateful Sinners,
Have mercy on us.

Jesus, who came'st down from Hea-
ven to teach us, with thine own sacred
Mouth the Truths of Salvation, *Have
mercy on us.*

Jesus, who conversed'st so long on
Earth, to shew us by thy own holy Ex-
ample, the way to Heaven, *Have mer-
cy on us.*

Jesus, who died'st even the Death of
the Cross, to take off our aversion
from

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from suffering, and teach us to endure all things for everlasting Happiness, *Have mercy on us.*

Jesus, who didst ascend into Heaven, to confirm our Belief, and raise our Affections to the sure Joys of Eternity, *Have mercy on us.*

Jesus, Author of our Faith, and Finisher of our Hope, *Have mercy on us.*

Jesus, supream Object of our Love, and overflowing Satiety of all our Desires, *Have mercy on us.*

Jesus, Our God blessed for ever, *Have mercy on us.*

Have mercy, *And spare us, O Jesus.*

Have mercy, *And hear us, O Jesus.*

From all evil, *Jesus deliver us.*

From all sin, *Jesus, deliver us.*

From everlasting Death, *Jesus deliver us.*

By the mystery of thy holy Incarnation, and humble Nativity, *Jesus deliver us.*

By the Sanctity of thy Heavenly Doctrine, and miraculous Life, *Jesus, deliver us.*

By the merits of thy bitter Passion, and all-reviving Death, *Jesus deliver us.*

By the joys of thy victorious Re-

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urrection, and triumphant Ascension
Jesus deliver us.

By the Glory of thy eternal Kingdom, and incomprehensible Majesty,
Jesus deliver us.

We sinners *Beseech thee to hear us.*

That it would please thee to protect and govern thy holy Church, which thou hast purchased with thy precious Blood, *We beseech thee hear us.*

That looking continually on thy admirable Life, we may faithfully endeavour to follow thy steps, *We beseech thee hear us.*

That denying all vicious and inordinate Inclinations, we may live soberly, justly and piously, *We beseech thee hear us.*

That through thy Love, the World may be crucified to us, and we to the World, *We beseech thee hear us.*

That whatever we ask in thy holy Name, we may receive through thy infinite merits, *We beseech thee hear us.*

Son of God, *We beseech thee hear us.*

Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the World, *Spare us, O Jesus.*

Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the World, *Hear us, O Jesus.*

Lamb

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Lamb of God, that takest away the
sins of the World, *Have mercy on us.*

Lord, have mercy on us.

Christ, have mercy on us.

Lord, have mercy on us.

Our Father, &c.

The Antiphon.

EVery day will we repeat thy Per-
fections, O Glorious Jesus ! that
every day we may grow in our esteem
of thee. Every day will we attentive-
ly compute thy Mercies, that every
day we may increase in thy Love.

Vers. All that we have, and are, we
received from thy Grace. *Alleluia.*

Resp. All we desire, and hope , we
expect in thy Glory. *Alleluia.*

Vers. O Lord, hear my Prayer.

Resp. And let my Supplication come
unto thee.

Let us pray.

ALmighty God , and most merci-
ful Saviour , the Light of this
World, and Glory of the next ; Vouch-
safe, we beseech thee , to illuminate
our Understandings, and enflame our
Wills, and sanctifie all the Faculties of

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our Souls, but whilst with our Lips we recite these Prayers, we may inwardly with our Hearts adore thy Person, and admire thy Goodness, and conform our Lives to thy holy Example, till at length by frequent Meditation of the bliss thou hast prepared for us hereafter, we break off our Affections from all irregular adherence to this World, and place them entirely on the enjoyment of thee, who with the Father, and the Holy Ghost, livest and reignest, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

THE Blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, descend upon us, and dwell in our Hearts for ever. *Amen.*

The short Litany of the Blessed Virgin.



LOrd, have mercy on us.
Christ, have mercy on us.
Lord, have mercy on us.

Jesus,

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Jesus, receive our Prayers.

Lord Jesus, grant our Petitions.

O God the Father, Creator of the World, *Have mercy on us.*

O God the Son, Redeemer of Mankind, *Have mercy on us.*

O God the Holy Ghost, Perfecter of the Elect, *Have mercy on us.*

O holy Trinity, one God, *Have mercy on us.*

Holy Mary

Holy Mother of God

Holy Virgin of Virgins

Daughter of the Eternal Father

Mother of the Eternal Son

Sponse of the Eternal Spirit

Tabernacle of the Glorious Trinity

Mother of JESUS

Mother of the Messiah

Mother of the Desired of all Nations

Mother of the Prince of Peace

Mother of the King of Heaven

Mother of our Creator

Mother of our Savior

Mother and Virgin

Virgin most chaste and spotless

Virgin most mild and merciful

Virgin most prudent and faithful

Pray for us.

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Virgin most miraculously fruitful
Ever-Virgin
Root of the Tree of the Life
Source of the Fountain of Grace
Orient to the Sun of Glory
Blessed amongst Women
Blessed above the Children of Men
Blessed through all Generations
Mirror of Humility and Obedi-
ence
Mirror of Patience and Resigna-
tion
Mirror of Modesty, Silence and Re-
tirement
Mirror of Wisdom, Devotion and
Sanctity
Mirror of Faith, Hope and Charity
Mirror of all Vertues
Refuge of Sinners
Comfort of the Afflicted
Advocate of all Christians
Queen of Angels
Queen of Patriarchs and Prophets
Queen of Apostles and Martyrs
Queen of Confessors and Virgins
Queen of all Saints
Lamb of God that takest away the sins
of the World. *Spare us, O Lord.*
Lamb of God that takest away the sins
of

Pray for us.

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of the World, *Hear us, O Lord.*
Lamb of God, that takest away the sins
of the World. *Have mercy on us.*
Lord have mercy on us.
Christ, have mercy on us.
Lord, have mercy on us.
Our Father, &c,

The Antiphon.

Wonderful art thou, O God, in all
thy Saints, but incomparably
more in the Mother of thy Son; who
remaining a Virgin, brought forth the
Saviour of the World, and living hum-
bly on this our low Earth, is now exal-
ted above the highest Seraphims.

Vers. Rejoyce, O my Soul, in the
Glory of the B. Virgin-Mother, *Alleluia,*

Resp. By the fruit of whose womb we
are regenerated to eternal life. *Alleluia.*

Vers. O Lord, hear my Prayer.

Resp. And let my Supplication come
unto thee.

Let us pray.

POur forth, we beseech thee, O Lord,
thy grace into our hearts, that we
to whom the Incarnation of Christ thy
Son was made known by the Message
of an Angel, may by his Passion and

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Cross, be brought to the glory of his Resurrection : Through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee, and the Holy Ghost, liveth and reigneth one God, world without end. *Amen.*

THe Blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, be with us, and dwell in our hearts for ever. *Amen.*

An Explanation of the holy Ornaments and Ceremonies, that are used at the holy Sacrifice of the Mass, very instructive for Catholics and others.

ALL the visible Rites employ'd in and about the Sacrifice of the Mass tend to instruction, and to the commemoration of the Death and Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ, in compliance with his own command, *Do this in remembrance of me, 1 Cor. 11.24.* That is, do this in memory of my Passion. This is plainly to be observ'd in the Altar
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and its Ornaments, as likewise in the Garments with which the Priest is vested, *viz.*

The ALTAR signifies Mount *Calvary*, whereon Jesus Christ (the only Son of God. and second Person of the most Blessed Trinity, our Redeemer) was crucified upon a reproachful Cross: which very word of *Altar* hath relation to *Sacrifice*, which must necessarily be offer'd to God in that Church, where his true Faith is profess'd. And therefore this name of Altar is mention'd by St. Paul, *Heb. 13. 10. We have an Altar whereof they have no right to eat, who serve the Tabernacle.* And 1 Cor. 9. 13. as it is likewise in St. *Matth. 5. 24.* All which is a very sufficient Warrant for us to use the name of Altar; which also represents the Table whereon our Saviour did celebrate his last Supper, with his Disciples, the night before he suffer'd.

The CORPORAL AND LINNEN CLOTHES that cover the Altar, do signify the Linnen Cloth that wrapp'd the Sacred Body of Christ, when he was laid in the Sepulchre.

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The CANDLES lighted on the Altar signifie the light of Faith revealed to the Jews and Gentiles ; and they advertise us of the great splendor, both of Faith, of good Life and Works; requir'd in the celebrating of so high and dreadful a Mystery.

The CRUCIFIX betokens our Blessed Redeemer's Victory over Death, and is placed at the midst of the Altar ; to represent to our mind the Death and Passion of Jesus Christ, which is there chiefly to be considered, and Piously meditated on in that holy Sacrifice.

The CHALICE betokens the Holy Sepulchre of our Lord.

The PATIN the great Stone, which was rouled against the Door of the same Sepulchre.

The Garments wherewith the Priest is vested during the time of Mass.

THE AMICE, a linnen cloth, which the Priest pulls over his face, and fastens

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fastens in his neck, signifieth the Rag of linnen, wherewith the Jews blindfolded Christ our Saviour in mockery, when they smote and buffeted him, saying, *Propheſie unto us, Christ, who is he that struck thee, Mat. 26. 68.*

The ALBE (that is a white Linner Garment) doth represent the Rayment, which *Herod* put on Christ after that he had despised, and mocked him, *Luk. 23.*

The MANIPLE that the Priest weareth on his Left Arm, and the STOLE, that hangeth about his Neck, and the GIRDLE, do figure the Cords and Fetters with which the Officers of the Jews bound Christ, *Job. 18.* and led him from one place to another.

The CHASUBLE (that is the uppermost Vestment) doth express the Purple Garment the Soldiers put on Jesus Christ, *Mar. 25.* and the heavy Cross also, that Christ carried on his blessed Shoulders to Mount *Calvary.*

The Priests TONSURE, (that is to say, the Crown of his Head shaved in fashion of a round Circle) doth

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shew the Crown of Thorns, which the Souldiers platted and put about the sacred Head of our Saviour, *Mar. 25.*

The Ceremonies of the Holy
MASS.

THE CONFITEOR denotes the Repentance, & preparation we ought to have when we assist at the holy mysteries, and puts us in mind of the infinite faults we have committed, for which we ask Pardon of God.

The GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO, puts us in mind of the Hymn and Praise, which the Angels sung at Christ's Nativity.

The COLLECTS signifie the Prayers which our Lord made in the Temple, when he went with his Mother and St. *Joseph* to *Jerusalem*, there to worship his heavenly Father.

The EPISTLE resembles the Preaching of St. *John Baptist*.

The GRADUAL, the Penance which ensued, among the good People upon that Preaching.

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The HOLY GOSPEL betokeneth the holy preaching of our Saviour Jesus Christ.

The CREDO IN DEUM signifieth the great fruit which ensueth of the holy Sermons of Christ.

The OFFERTORY denoteth the great promptitude and fervent affections of a deliberate Will, which our Saviour had during his whole life, offering himself to God his Father for our Redemption, and to suffer death for us.

The ORATE FRATRES with the secret Prayers, signifie the retreat of our Redeemer, when he retired into the desert of *Ephraim*, where he treated secretly with his Disciples about his Death and Passion.

The PREFACE AND SURSUMCorda signifieth his Triumphant entry into *Jerusalem*, at which time the devout people received him with great acclamations of Joy, saying, *Hosanna* in the *Highest*.

The CANON represents his Prayer in the Garden, the Agony and sweating of Blood he endured, and how all his Disciples left him.

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The SUNDRY CROSSES, that the Priests makes over the Host and Chalice, before and after Consecration, are mystical Representations of the many grievous Torments which Christ endur'd for the Accomplishment of the general Redemption.

The ELEVATION OF THE HOST AND CHALICE, do figure the lifting up of Christ on the Cross; and in as much, as the Host and Chalice are exhibited apart, the Ceremony declares the separation of Christ's Soul from his Body, and his blood from his Veins; the division of the Host into three distinct parts, doth shew the three Substances in Christ, *viz.* the Divine, of his Person; the Spiritual, of his Soul, and the Material, of his Body: And where as one of the said parts is put into the Chalice, and as it were buried therein, thereby is signified Christ's Body in the Sepulchre; Likewise its mingling with the Blood, demonstrates, that the Divine Personality was never separated, neither from his Soul in his descent into Hell, nor from his Body lying in the Sepulchre.

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The *PAX* and *AGNUS DEI* makes us call to mind that our Saviour being the innocent Lamb without spot, has reconcil'd us to God his Father by his Death and Passion : Accomplishing his Triumph at the Resurrection, being our true Paschal Lamb.

The *PRIESTS BENEDICTION*, given at the end of the Mass, represents the peculiar recommendation, whereby Christ did recommend his Church at the rendring of his Soul into the hands of his Divine Father.

The several Colours the Church
uses for Ornament.

THE WHITE COLOUR is used upon all Festival Days of Angels, Confessors and Virgins, to represent to us the imitation of their holy Chastity and Purity of Life, as also upon the Nativity, Resurrection, Ascension of our Saviour Jesus Christ, *Corpus Christi*, and other Solemnities of the great Mysteries of our Faith ; which

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are to be celebrated in the White Colour, being the Symbol of joy: Witness our Saviours glorious splendor at his Transfiguration; the two Angels in White, who declared his Resurrection: And the joyful White Robes of his Saints in Heaven, *Apoc. 3. 4. Apoc. 4. 4.*

The RED COLOUR is used on the Feasts of the holy Cross, of the Apostles, and blessed Martyrs; to shew that their glorious Passage from this vally of Tears to eternal Joy, was through the Red Sea of many Tribulations, and that their Glory was purchas'd with the price of their Blood. *They dyed their Robes in the Blood of the Lamb, Apoc. 7.*

The GREEN is the proper Colour of the Church from the *Ostave* of the *Epiphany*, till *septuagesima*; and from the *Ostave* of *Pentecost*, till *Advent* exclusively: containing the greatest part of the whole year, and shews that our time is industriously to be employed for our purchasing Heaven, which is to be gain'd by force, well-represented by this Colour, the Hieroglyphic of youth; and consequently betokening
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the couragious and vigorous strength in virtuous Exercises, wherewith the Celestial City is to be conquered.

The **VIOLET**, is a kind of Blew resembling the Colour of the Skie or Heaven; which we know will be shut to all sinners, who by true Repentance shall not amend; and therefore this Colour is us'd in the Church, all *Lent* and *Advent*, the proper times allotted for the Practise of the worthy fruits of Holy Penance, and satisfaction for our sins.

The **BLACK** is the Mourning Standard of the Church, display'd upon her Altars, and other Ornaments in the Mournful Times, wherein we celebrate the Death and Passion of our loving Lord, and Divine Redeemer **JESUS** Christ; it is used also at the Office of the Dead; thereby to testify as well a civil respect from Nature for the present separation from our Friends; as to stir also up in us a true Compassion of their Souls *temporal* great pain in Purgatory, for whose speedy relief we ought most heartily to pray.

These Ornaments of the Church, if not very rich, at least ought to be comely and very decent, as well in regard of the great Reverence, which is most due to these Sacred Mysteries; as also that these Divine Actions should be had in great Veneration; and thereby more movingly represent to us Christ's bitter Death and Passion; as I have already declar'd by the meaning of these several Ornaments belonging to the Priest; the Antiquity and use whereof well appears in *England*, by that of *St. Gregory* the Great, who above a thousand years ago, did send into our Country, Vessels for the Altar, Relics, Books and Ornaments for the Priests and Clerks; as both *V. Bede*, and most Historians do declare.

Instructions for the hearing of MASS.

1. **W**^{hen you hear the Bell give notice,}
or purpose in your self to hear
Mass, direct your intention to do it in re-
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membrance of the Death and Passion of our Saviour JESUS. And presently set before your Eyes the Holy Virgin, St. Mary Magdalen, and the other Maries going to Mount Calvary, to behold Christ crucified, endeavouring to stir up in your mind such thoughts as you may imagin those holy Persons to have had, in this Sacred Pilgrimage, forasmuch as you are going to see the same Crucifixion which they did, mystically performed by the Hands of the Priest.

2. Think with your self, if this blessed Sacrifice were offered only in one Place, and Consecrated but by one Priest in all the World, with how great desire the People would run to that Place, with what zeal they would seek that Priest, to hear and see these Heavenly Mysteries : And ask Grace of our Lord, that you may come with like attention and devotion, forasmuch as these holy Mysteries do not require a less reverence for being Celebrated in so many Places, and so often repeated.

3. Call to mind what you have most need to Pray for ; and purpose with your self, in a special manner to bewail your greatest offences, and likewise to Offer up
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this holy Myſtery, for the Universal Church, for the Pope's Holineſs and all Eccleſiaſtical Perſons, for Unity among all Chriſtian Kings and Princes, for the Converſion of all Infidels and Hereticks, for his Majeſty and theſe Kingdoms; and laſtly, for the neceſſities both of the Living and Dead.

When you go into the Church, ſay,

1. O Lord, in the multitude of thy mercies I will enter thy Houſe, and adore thee in thy holy Temple, and confeſs to thy Name.

When you take Holy Water.

2. Sprinkle me, O Lord, with Hyſop, and I ſhall be cleanſed: Waſh me, and I ſhall be whiter than Snow.

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Almighty and moſt merciful Father! To thee all the happy Company of the Celeſtial City, all the bleſſed Orders of the holy Spirits, ſing
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continually, Glory and everlasting Praise. To thee, O Lord, all thy glorified Saints offer the just tribute of Honor and Adoration; nor is there any Creature than can, according to thy worth, give thee sufficient Praise: For thou art that unspeakable, incomprehensible, and everlasting Goodness. Thou, O Lord, hast made me; thou hast, through the merits of the bitter Passion of thy most blessed Son, restored me to the state of Salvation; to thee only is due all Praise and Honour, if any the least good be found in me. O my glorious Lord, I miserable sinner, a Creature of thy making, desire to give thee Praise with all my mind, and with my whole heart; but without thy especial Grace, I find my self unable for the least performance: Wherefore I come to thee, my God, my life, and my strength, my hope and only comfort, craving thy merciful assistance, that I may be enabled to Praise thee.

Grant me thy Grace, that my mouth may speak, and my heart study thy Glory. O! let my Tongue be employed wholly in declaring thy Excellencies

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lencies. But because all Praise in a sinners mouth is disagreeable to thee, sanctifie me, most mighty Lord and Saviour, both inwardly and outwardly, that with heart and voice I may worthily Praise thee.

O Almighty God, inspire thou my Soul, that I may continually give Thanks to thee, and honour thee for ever. Grant me grace, O Lord, so to praise and glorifie thee in this Pilgrimage, and Vale of Misery, that through thy mercy I may be associated to their holy Fellowship, who see thee everlastingly, and sing Praises to thee, world without end. *Amen.*

O Most indulgent Father of mercies, and God of all consolation; who hast not only once given us thy beloved Son to dye upon the Cross for our Redemption, but wouldst that this Oblation should daily be renewed in the Church, to renew in us daily the memory of thy Love: Grant us, we beseech thee, so attentively and reverently to be present at this adorable Mystery, that our hearts being set on fire with the contemplation of so great a Love,
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we may come at length to be united with thee in perfect Charity: Through the same Lord Jesus Christ, &c.

O Most powerful and loving Lord ! the great desire thou hadst of our Salvation, was that which moved thee to leave us this Divine Sacrifice of the Mass ; For thou wert not content that thy Son should only in Heaven offer himself to thee for us, appearing before thy face in a visible and glorious manner, as our Mediator ; but thou wouldst also have him to be daily offered to thee on Earth by the Function of Priests, for the expiation of our sins, covered under the appearances of Bread and Wine, and in a manner more proportionable to our weakness : Yet in both places he is the same Jesus Christ thy Son ; whose Divine Presence is the joy of the blessed Heaven, and the hope of us Sinners on Earth.

This Mystery, most mighty Lord, far surpasseth all human capacity ; but yet it is most easie to be believed by those on whom thou bestowest the gift of Faith, it being no ways unreasonable to believe, that thou, O Lord, art able to do
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more than we are able to understand.

For my own part, Lord, I believe (through thy gracious goodness) plainly and sincerely whatever thy holy Catholic, Apostolic, and *Roman* Church teacheth me touching this; or any other of thy most Divine Mysteries and Doctrins. I learn from her, that thou hast declared thy Body and Blood to be really contained in this most holy Sacrament, as well as that at the same time it remains on the right-hand of thy Father in Heaven; and therefore I believe them both most assuredly, and the one as firmly as the other, since both are equally the Will and Work of the Almighty Word, God and Man.

Herein I utterly renounce the judgment of my Senses, and all human Understanding, and depend only on thy divine and inexplicable Omnipotence: For as thou mad'st all things of nothing, so thou canst alter and dispose all things at thy will and pleasure.

Now therefore, I beseech thee, most omnipotent God, drive away all distractions and wicked thoughts out of my mind, that I may attend on the Celebration of this Heavenly Mystery, with
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fear and humble reverence. Sanctifie, I beseech thee, the spirit of thy servant, who is about to present himself before thee, for the offering up of this divine Sacrifice, that he may do it as he ought, to thy honour and glory, to his own benefit, and for the good of all Mankind. Give me grace, that by the reverend Ceremonies which are here to be used, I may be put in mind of thy most sacred Passion, which they represent, and adore thee in this glorious Sacrament, with sovereign honor, and most profound humility. This by thy grace I purpose; This by thy grace I hope to perform.

Vouchsafe, O Lord, to accept the blessed Body and Blood of our Saviour, thy Son Jesus Christ, offered unto thee in this Sacrifice, for our Salvation, and for that of all thy Faithful spread over the whole World. Incline thine ears, O Lord, to the Prayers of thy afflicted Flock, and mercifully restore thy true Religion where it is wanting. Open the Eyes of the blind, and make them know their Error: And vouchsafe, through the vertue of this Sacrifice, to relieve all those who are sick, or
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in captivity: or labour under any other distress. Give grace to the living, and perpetual place of rest and quietness to those who are departed in thy Faith, for the merits of our only Saviour, thy Son Jesus Christ; to whom with thee, and the Holy Ghost, one God, be all Glory, Praise, and Sovereignty for ever. *Amen.*

At the Confiteor.

O Lord God Almighty, I confess to thee in the presence of thy holy Angels and blessed Saints, that I have provoked thy anger, by committing evil both negligently and wilfully in thy sight. I have sinned, O Lord, I have sinned, I acknowledge my iniquity; but thou of thy goodness hast promised to the penitent, remission of their sins. I therefore now bow the knees of my Soul, and detesting my own sinfulness, thus humbly, with the penitent Publican, I implore thy mercy, [*say this thrice*] *O God, be merciful to me a sinner.* Deal not with me according to my iniquities, nor reserve me for everlasting punishments,

punishments, but according to the multitude of thy mercies, save thy unworthy Servant, that I may praise thee all the days of my life, and invite all the Powers of Heaven to praise Thee ; to whom belongs Honour and Glory, and Adoration for ever. *Amen.*

After the Confiteor.

Deliver us, O Lord, from all our iniquities, that in the end of our life, we may be received into the Kingdom of Heaven, [*say this thrice*] *Have mercy on thy People, O Christ, whom thou hast Redeemed with thy precious Blood.* Lord, have mercy on us; Christ, have mercy on us; Lord, have mercy on us.

At the Gloria in excelsis Deo.

Glory be to God on high, and on Earth peace to men of good will: We praise thee, O Lord, we worship thee, we magnifie thee ; we adore thee, we glorifie thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, Heavenly King, God the Father Almighty. Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten

begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, who takest away the sins of the World, have mercy on us; Thou who takest away the sins of the World, hear our Prayers; Thou who sittest on the right hand of God the Father, have mercy on us, because thou only art holy, thou only art our Lord, thou only art most high, O Jesus Christ, with the Holy Ghost, in the glory of God the Father. *Amen.*

At the First Collect.

A Almighty and everlasting God, vouchsafe I beseech thee, to look upon this Congregation, and mercifully accept the Prayers of thy Church, addressed to thee for us, by the ministry of this Priest; Grant us for thy mercies sake, remission of our sins, and all things necessary for the entertainment of either of our Souls or Bodies in thy Service; Convert all Hereticks, destroy all wicked Counsels, increase true Religion, and plant in our hearts the Graces of unfeigned Charity, sincere Devotion in Prayer, Patience in troubles, Joy in hope, and what-
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ever else may conduce to thy Glory,
and our Salvation: Through Jesus
Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At the Epistle.

O God, who hast fully accomplish-
ed that which the Law foretold,
and under a wonderful Sacrament,
left us the memory of thy Passion:
Grant us, we beseech thee, so to reve-
rence the Holy Mysteries of thy blessed
Body and Blood, that our Souls may
always perceive in themselves the
fruit of thy Redemption, who livest and
reignest, &c.

After the Epistle.

O Glorious Trinity! by thee we
are created: By thee we are san-
ctified, O adorable Unity: Defend,
save, and protect all thy People, O
God Almighty, We adore thee, O
God Almighty. We adore thee, O
God the Father; We praise thee, O
God the Son; We bleis thee, O God
the Holy Ghost: To whom, three Per-
sons, and one God, be all Honour and
Glory for ever. *Amen.*

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At the Gradual.

O Lord, deal not with us according to our sins, nor reward us according to our iniquities : Lord, remember not our former offences, but let thy mercy speedily come in to our succour, because we have great need of it. Help us, O God our Saviour, and for the glory of thy holy Name deliver us ; O Lord, be merciful to us for thy Names sake.

At the Credo in Deum, &c.

O Lord God, grant that we may all continue in the true and sincere profession of the holy Catholic Faith, to the end of our lives ; and exercising our selves here in all holiness and piety, we may hereafter receive of thee, O Lord, such a Crown of Justice, as thou hast laid up for thy Elect. *Amen.*

At the Offertory.

O Lord God, Father Almighty who through Jesus Christ thy only Son, hast instituted a new and admirable Oblation, which the Church by Tradition from thy holy Apostles, makes

makes to thee throughout the World,
O God, the great Creator of all things,
offering under a hidden Mystery, the
first-fruits of thy Creatures and Gifts,
to wit, Bread and Wine mingled with
Water, immediately to be consecrated
into the Flesh and Blood of thy Belov-
ed Son, that by the same Oblation
we may represent Him, who is the
lively Bread descending from Heaven,
and giving Life to all the World;
Vouchsafe most gracious God, merci-
fully to accept this Oblation; which
thy Catholic Church offers to thee by
the Priest, for all thy People, whom
thou hast purchased with the precious
Blood of thy dearly beloved Son, our
Lord Jesus Christ.

At the Oration Fratres.

Our Lord send thee help from Hea-
ven, and protect thee. Our Lord
be mindful of this thy Sacrifice, and
receive it from thy hands, to the praise
and glory of his Name, and to the
benefit and comfort of our Souls, and
the Souls of all the Faithful, living and
dead. *Amen.*

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O Lord who justifiest the wicked, and givest life to the dead, quicken and raise me : O Lord, give compunction to my heart, and tears to mine eyes, that I may ever bewail the wickedness of my sinful life with humility, and a firm purpose of amendment. Let my Prayer come before thy Presence, O God : If thou be angry with me, to whose assistance shall I have recourse, or who shall have mercy on mine iniquities? Remember, O Lord, that thou calledst the Woman of *Canaan*, and the Publican to repentance, and didst receive *Peter* after his tears: Receive also my Prayers, O God my Saviour, who livest and reignest for ever. *Amen.*

When the Priest saith Sursum corda.

Lift up our hearts, O Heavenly Father, I beseech thee, from wordly cares, and the thoughts of earthly things, to meditate on thy celestial joys; that we may direct all our thoughts, words and deeds, to serve and glorifie thee, so that after this life we may enjoy thee for ever. *Amen.*

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Then say with him.

IT is meet and just, right and necessary that we always and in all places give thanks to thee, O holy Lord, Father Almighty, Everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom the Angels praise thy Majesty, the Dominations adore thee, the Powers tremble, the Heavens and the Vertues thereof, and the blessed Seraphims in one common joy, celebrate thy Name; amongst whose worthy Hymns, command that our weaker Voices may be heard, we beseech thee, saying with humble Confession, Holy Holy, Holy, Lord God of Sabboath, the Heavens and the Earth are full of thy Glory, *Hosanna* in the highest; Blessed is he that comes in the Name of our Lord, *Hosanna* in the highest.
Amen.

At the holy Canon.

O Jesus, our high priest, and the Bishop of our Souls, who offeredst thy self to God the Father on the Altar of the Cross, a pure and immaculate Host, for us wretched sinners,
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and hast left us thy true Flesh and Blood in this adorable Mystery, effected by thy Divine Omnipotence, and commanded to be offered in Remembrance of our Salvation. By the same Almighty Power, I beseech thee, grant that I may worthily remember thy blessed Passion, and wholly offer and resign my self unto thee, my Lord and my Redeemer : Grant that I may be present at this Heavenly Sacrifice with due reverence, purity of heart, and spiritual Gladness. Let my mind taste the sweetness of thy blessed Presence, and behold with Joy the troops of thy Saints and Angels, which encompass and adore thee. *Amen*

INtercede for me, O Blessed Virgin *Mary*, that my Prayers may prove effectual with thy Son, our Lord Jesus. Pray for me, O you Apostles, Martyrs, Confessors and Virgins, with all the Saints of Heaven. The Prayers of such, O Lord, thou despisest not ; inspire them therefore to pray for me, who livest and reignest, one God, for ever. *Amen.*

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3. Modest and decent Behaviour, and a Countenance that becomes a Christian, Whereby it is required, that none presume to approach to this great Mystery but Fasting, and with Modesty, Humility, and Zeal.

4. Devotion, and a heart not taken up or troubled with worldly Affairs, That you may be able to recollect your mind, and employ your thoughts in holy Meditations, considering and admiring the incomprehensible goodness of Almighty God; that he, being of so great and infinite Majesty, should become obedient to his Heavenly Father, even to death, to give us life; that so by these, and the like devout Meditations and Prayers, you may be moved to love God above all things, and to give him most hearty thanks for so great benefits, desiring him most humbly and most earnestly, that the Merits of his most bitter Passion and Death, may be applied to the comfort and salvation of your Soul.

The Behaviour of Body in Receiving the Blessed SACRAMENT.

1. **L**et the Hands, being covered with the Towel, be held as high as the Breast. The Head conveniently lifted up, that without difficulty the Mouth may be reached. The Eyes shut, or reverently bent downward. The Lips altogether unmoved. moderately open, and not gaping.

2. Let the Tongue touch the inner side of the Lip, to receive the Host, and bring it into the Mouth; which being reverently held on the Tongue, till it be moistned, is so to be let down into the Stomach without chewing, or raising it to the Roof of the Mouth: Then take the Ablution, which is a little Wine.

3. Let the whole Body be erect, without any motion, as sighing, knocking the Breast, or vocal Prayer, to prevent all irreverent touching the Teeth or Lips with the Sacred Host.

4. After Receiving, return devoutly to your Prayers, and for about a quarter of an hour abstain from spitting if you can.

Prayers

Prayers before the Receiving the Blessed Sacrament.

A Prayer before Receiving.

WE adore and worship thee, O Jesus Christ, King of *Israel*, Light of the Gentiles, and Prince of the Kings of the Earth, Lord of Sabbath, and most mighty Power of the Omnipotent God: We worship thee, O inestimable Price of our Redemption. O Jesus, who out of thy meer mercy inclinedst thy Father to commiserate our sad condition, and reconciledst him to us his Children.

O Saviour Christ, we praise the multitude of thy mercies; we proclaim aloud the abundance of thy sweetness; we offer thee, O Saviour Christ, a Sacrifice of laud and thanksgiving, for the greatness of that Bounty which thou hast shewed to us sinners, a most perverse and ungracious Generation.

Another.

OMnipotent and most merciful God ! Thou art truly good, and I continually evil ; Thou art holy and just, I most Wretched and sinful ; Thou art the Sovereign Medicine , and our Life, I am weak, sickly and dead ; Thou art Light and Verity it self , I am altogether vanity.

What shall I say then my Creator ? Hear me, most bountiful Redeemer, and consider not the wickedness of my hands, but look on the wounds of thine own : Behold, my Lord God, thou hast written me in thy hands, read the writing, and heal me. Behold, out of the sense of my miseries I sigh unto thee ; Thou art my Creator, comfort me ; I cry unto thee, thou art my life, quicken me ; To thee, I lift up my voice, help me and restore me.

But what is Man, that he can thus speak to his Creator ! Pardon thy servant, O Lord, who presumes to speak to so great a God : O my Lord, it is my grief that forces me, it is my misery that compels me. I am sick, therefore I call to the Physician ; I am
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blind, therefore I hasten to the light ;
I am dead , therefore I have recourse
to life.

To thee, O Jesus of *Nazareth*, I hasten , thou art the Fountain of Life ;
O Jesus, Son of *David*, have mercy on me ; have mercy on me, and heal the eyes of my Soul that I may see thee , and come to thee , and in thy light , see that everlasting Light. Spare and pardon me, O Lord , for my days are nothing, but yet are filled with much misery : What is my life , O my God, but a shadow which suddenly vanisheth away ; like a flower that flourishes , and is gay , and presently withers ? Even so my frail and deceitful life passeth away.

I know assuredly I must die , but when or how, is altogether hidden from me ; I therefore beseech thee, O meek and merciful God , hold me up and support me by thy power and strength ; Appear to me, O thou everlasting Light , and shine in my heart , that I may rejoice in thee : Come to me, O my Life, most noble and most sweet , that through thee , I may live with thee , and in thee , in thy Kingdom

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for ever: Hear me, O my Lord God, to the glory of thy Name, and the felicity of my own Soul. *Amen.*

Another.

I Adore and worship thee, I give thee Thanks, most loving Lord Jesus Christ, for the innumerable gifts and benefits which thou hast bestowed on me though most unworthy: All which I now restore and offer up to thee, as the Sacrifice of an everlasting Praise. I give thee thanks for all the Mercies of thy most sweet Goodness: I give thee thanks for thy holy Incarnation, Nativity, Infancy, Labours, Sorrows, Cares, Passions, Death, Resurrection, and Ascension. I most humbly thank thee, that thou hast vouchsafed to admit me, ingrateful sinner, to the noble and enlivening Feast of this thy holy Table. O gracious Jesus, I beseech thee, by that love, which in a manner constrained thee to be Incarnate, to suffer and die for me, that thou wouldst cleanse me from all sin, and make me pleasing to thee in all things: And in order thereunto, vouchsafe to adorn my poor and naked
Soul

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Soul with thy merits and Vertues

Grant, merciful Jesus, that I may with humble Reverence, enflam'd Desire, and chaste Affection, receive the most venerable Sacrament of thy blessed Body; in remembrance of all those things which thou hast vouchsafed to do, speak, and suffer for my Salvation. Grant, good Lord, that I may approach to this holy Communion, with the greatest purity it is possible for me, to the everlasting glory of thy Name to the honor of thy most sweet Mother the Blessed Virgin Mary, and of all thy Blessed Saints and Angels in Heaven, to the benefit of my own Soul and to that of the Souls of all thy Faithful alive or Dead.

Have mercy, good Lord, have mercy on thy Church, have mercy on this Place and Company. Grant that the Vertues of Humility, Peace, Charity and Chastity, may be always here. Grant that we all may truly amend our lives that we may fear thee, and serve thee faithfully, that we may love thee and strive every day still more and more to please thee. I Commend all our Affairs and Necessities to thy most merciful

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providence. Be merciful, O Lord, to all those, for whom thou hast shed thy precious Blood. Grant to the living Forgiveness and Grace, and to the faithful departed, rest, and life everlasting. *Amen.*

Another.

O Bountiful Jesus, who vouchsafedst to suffer so many grievous pains, yea, death itself, for the love of Mankind, and sparedst not thy own most precious Blood, that thou mightest wash away our sins: How great and wonderful is thy Charity!

I beseech thee, gracious Lord, forgive me all the sins I have committed, in thought, word, or deed; in Pride, Anger, Envy, Covetousness, Gluttony, Sloth, Luxury, Uncleanness of Body or Soul: in the ill use of those Senses, which thou gavest me for thy Service, in breaking thy Commandments, in wasting the time of my life unprofitably, in not following Vertue, and in not doing those good deeds which I might have done. O merciful Jesus! with that precious Blood which thou sheddest on the Cross for my Salvation, wash away all the sins I have been guilty

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ty of since my Birth. Heal, strengthen and revive me by this holy Sacrament, which thou hast ordained and left here on Earth, to be our medicine and life, through which we are to live in thee, and thou art to live in us, as thouthy self assuredst us, when thou say'st, *The Bread which I will give, is my flesh, for the life of the world: And he that eateth me, shall also live by me, and abide in me, and I in him.* John 6.

O holy Priest, and Bishop of our Souls, who by thy Divine Power didst institute the blessed Sacrament of thy precious Body, in the form of Bread; Give me grace to receive it this day with purity of Heart, and cleanness of Soul, with love, reverence, and a firm Belief. O bountiful God, I acknowledge and confess to thy infinite Goodness, that I am not worthy to come to thy Table, to be fed with so Royal a Meat as thy blessed Body. But, gracious Lord, if thou wilt thou canst make me clean. Thou hast created all things out of nothing, and hast often changed what is sinful, into that which is righteous and holy. Wherefore, O Almighty God, according to the multitude of thy

E 5 mercies,

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mercies, make me worthy to receive thy precious Body. Let me approach to this sacred Myſtery with Reverence, Meekneſs, and Holineſs, with perfect Contrition and Tears of Devotion, with ſpiritual comfort and joy in thy preſence. O bleſſed Body of my Saviour, Come and enter into my Mouth and Heart, that by thy Divine Preſence my Soul may be fed, and united to thee with perfect Charity. Replenish me, O Lord, with Grace, and ſtrengthen me, that I may from henceforth for ever live in thee, and thou in me. Jeſus, ſave me through thy great bounty, from all perils, Teach and comfort my Soul in all doubts and fears, Cleanſe me from all vices, Suffer nothing to abide in my heart but only thy ſelf, who art my Souls life, and ſupream Lord. O heavenly Meat! O joy of Angels! O ſtrength of Souls! O precious Body! O merciful Jeſus! Thou ſaidſt, *I am the Bread of life that deſcended from Heaven; he that eateth this Bread ſhall live for ever.* Joh. 6. O bleſſed Jeſus, make me worthy to receive this great Sacrament of thy precious Body, that I may live everlaſtingly with thee, and ſee thee face to face

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face in thy Celestial Kingdom. *Amen.*

Preparative Points to be meditated.

Noah was an hundred years preparing the Ark to save himself from the Flood, and yet I, unhappy sinner, scarce take pains one hour to prepare my self to receive my Redeemer, that I may be safe from eternal misery.

Moses made an Ark of incorruptible Wood, and gilded it over with Gold for the keeping of Manna; and do I presume to place the true Manna (of which that other was but a figure) in my Breast, whilst it is corrupted with sin, and void of the ornament of vertue and good life?

Solomon was seven years in building the Temple, and preparing an Habitation for Almighty God, whereas I scarce set apart half an hour to prepare the Temple of my Heart, that the same God may make his abode in it.

Receiving, say with the Priest thrice.

Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldest enter into my House; but only speak the word, and my Soul shall be healed.

After Receiving, say to God the Father.

Most dread and omnipotent Sovereign, at whose Presence the Pillars of Heaven shake, and the highest Cherubims tremble with profound Reverence: Behold me an unworthy sinner, who have presumed to approach to thy Table, and receive this admirable Food, wherein thy co-equal and co-eternal Son is really contained; my Heart trembles for fear, considering that my manifold and grievous sins render me infinitely unworthy of partaking of so sublime, so ineffable a Mystery. Alas, my Lord, I can now say nothing more, I can now do nothing more, than cry aloud to thee with thy holy Prophet, *Look not upon me, O Lord, look not upon me, but on the face of thine Anointed.* O merciful Father, if my detestable Pride and restless Ambition have displeased thee, look upon Christ's most venerable Head, Crowned with Thorns, derided and tormented for my sake. If my dishonesty and lasciviousness have offended thee, behold the Virginal and most holy Flesh of Christ, torn with cruel Scourges on my account.

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count. If my wicked works and disordered steps have deserved punishment, look on the most holy Hands and Feet of Christ, fastned to the Cross with Nails for my discharge. If the hardness of my heart provoketh thy wrath against me, let Christ's most tender and loving Heart, pierced with that cruel Lance, move thee to take compassion on me. O Father of mercies, and God of all comforts; If heretofore the horror of my Crimes have provoked thee to punish me, let the most worthy sight of thy beloved Son, offered to thee in this most acceptable Sacrifice, move thee to pardon me; and when thou receivest me, O Lord, I shall humbly confess that thou receivest the most ungrateful sinner of the whole world. *Amen.*

Say to our Blessed Saviour.

I Adore and worship thee, and give thee humble and hearty thanks, most merciful Lord Jesus Christ, who hast vouchsafed to admit me to the noble and life-giving Feast of thy most holy Table. Unhappy wretch that I am,

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too negligently have I prepared my self,
too unworthily have I received this
most venerable Sacrament.

Lord have mercy on me, Lord forgive me: I recommend that which I have now performed to thy Divine Goodness, that it may be amended and made perfect. Accept, I beseech thee, O Lord, these most Sacred Mysteries of thy Blessed Body, which I have received, to the everlasting glory of thy holy Name, to the honour of thy most sweet Mother, the blessed Virgin *Mary*, and of all the holy Saints and Angels of Heaven, for the salvation of my Soul, and for the benefit of the Souls of all thy Faithful, alive and dead.

Accept, dearest Lord, this most excellent Sacrament in full satisfaction for all my sins and negligencies, and for the sins of all the World, for the amendment of our lives, and for a final perseverance in thy holy grace.

Let this Holy Sacrament repair in me all decay of spirit, and supply the many and great necessities of my Soul. Let it mortifie in me whatever displeases thee, and make me one accord-
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ing to thy hearts desire. Let it render my spirit, my Soul, and my body, conformable to the Spirit, Soul, and Body of thy holy Humanity, and illuminate the darkness of my nature with the light of thy Divinity.

Finally, let it establish me in thy love, by so strict and entire an union with thee, that I may be wholly changed and transformed into thee, to the glory of thy blessed Name. *Amen.*

Another Prayer after Receiving.

THanks be to thee, O holy Father, God Almighty, who of thy great mercy vouchsafedst to send thy only Son from the highest Heavens into this vale of misery; to take our nature on him, and suffer most sharp pains, and a most bitter death, that he might bring our Souls to thy Kingdom, and leave that precious Body which he assumed, for our Food and comfort during our pilgrimage in this world; I thank thee, most merciful Lord Jesus, with all the power and strength thou hast given me, I offer thee innumerable thanks, that thou hast fed me with

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thine own most precious Body, by which I hope to obtain the salvation of my Soul, and everlasting Life.

Come, O Holy Ghost, enflame my heart with the ardent fires of thy Divine Love, that I may continually render most acceptable thanks to the holy and glorious Trinity, to whom, three Persons and one God, be given all glory and honour, by all Creatures, world without end, *Amen.*

Conclusion.

CONvert (O Lord) all miserable sinners, and all Heretics, and Schismatics: Enlighten Infidels that know thee not: Help all that are in any necessity or trouble: Assist all that have recommended themselves, or desire to be recommended to my poor Prayers. Have mercy on my Parents and Benefactors: Have mercy on all those, for whom I am bound to pray, and for whom thou wouldst be intreated: Have mercy on this Place and Company: Grant that Humility, Peace, Charity, Chastity, and all manner of Purity may always abide here:

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here: Grant that we may all truly amend our lives, that we may fear thee, and serve thee faithfully, that we may love and please thee: I commit all our Affairs and Necessities to thy Fatherly Providence. Be merciful, O Lord, to all those for whom thou hast shed thy precious Blood. Grant to the living forgiveness and grace, and to the faithful departed, rest and life everlasting. *Amen.*

Instructions after Receiving.

After Receiving the Blessed Sacrament, we ought to have a firm purpose manfully to combat our Enemy, and to resist all kind of temptations, persuading our selves, that after such Receiving we have more to suffer than we had before. For to what purpose do we put on Armor, but to prepare our selves to fight? The Blessed Sacrament being the true Armor against all the Assaults of the World, the Flesh, and the Devil.

Above all things take care lest you

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fall into Anger, which is that wherewith the Enemy is wont at such times principally to assault us, seeking divers occasions of disquieting us, forasmuch as he knows that our Lord abides not in an unquiet Breast. When the Devil perceives that every little trifle is apt to discompose us, he is not so solicitous to hinder us from Receiving, as he is to hinder the fruit of our Receiving, by using means to drive away this noble Guest out of our Souls, and deprive us of his most beneficial Presence.

We must not think that God doth us an injury, if he send us in such occasions any kind of Cross or Affliction, which he permits for our spiritual profit and exercise, to shew us whether or no our Sacrifice hath been acceptable to him, and that we may the better view our own progress in vertue.

O what treasure, O what joy, O what assurance of eternal life is it, to have such a Guest in the Lodging of our hearts, who is Joy it self, Life it self, and eternal Felicity!

The Seven Penitential Psalms.

The Antiphon.

Remember not, O Lord, our offences, nor those of our Parents; neither take thou vengeance of our sins.

The 6 Psalm.

LORD rebuke me not in thy fury,
nor chastise me in thine anger.

Have mercy on me, Lord, because
I am weak: heal me, Lord, because
all my Bones are troubled.

And my Soul is troubled exceedingly:
but thou, Lord, how long?

Turn, O Lord, and deliver my Soul,
save me for thy mercies sake.

Because there is none amongst the
Dead, who is mindful of thee; and
who shall confess to thee in Hell?

I have laboured with groaning,
every night I will wash my Bed, I
will water my Couch with Tears.

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Mine eye is troubled through fury,
I have waxed old amongst all mine
enemies.

Depart from me all ye that work
iniquity; because our Lord hath heard
the voice of my weeping.

Our Lord hath heard my Petiti-
on: our Lord hath received my
prayer.

Let all mine Enemies be ashamed,
and very much troubled: let them be
turned back, and ashamed speedily.

Glory be to the Father, &c.

The 31 Psalm.

Blessed are they, whose iniquities
are forgiven, and whose sins are
covered.

Blessed is the man, to whom our
Lord hath not imputed sin, neither is
there guile in his spirit.

Because I held my peace my bones
are waxed old, whilst I cried all the
day.

Because day and night thy hand is
heavy upon me; I am converted in
my anguish, whilst the thorn is stuck
in me.

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I have made my sin known to thee,
and my injustice I have not hid.

I said, Against my self will I confess
mine injustice to our Lord: and thou
hast forgiven the impiety of my sin.

For this shall every holy one pray to
thee, in a seasonable time

Certainly in the deluge of many
waters: they shall not approach to
him.

Thou art my refuge from tribulation,
which hath surrounded me: my
joy, deliver me from them that environ
me.

I will give thee understanding, and
will instruct thee in the way that thou
shalt go: I will settle mine eyes upon
thee,

Do not become as the horse and
mule, which have no understanding.

With bit and bridle bind fast the
jaws of those who do not approach to
thee.

Many are the scourges of a sinner:
but mercy shall environ him that
hopeth in our Lord.

Be joyful in our Lord, and rejoice
ye just: and glory all ye right of heart.

Glory be to the Father, &c.

The

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The 37 Psalm.

LORD rebuke me not in thy fury:
nor chastise me in thine anger.

Because thine arrows are fastned in
me: and thy hand hath been strong
upon me.

There is no health in my flesh in re-
gard of thy anger: my bones have no
peace in regard of my sins.

Because mine iniquities are gone
over my head: and as an heavy bur-
den, are become heavy upon me.

My sores are putrified and corrupt
in regard of my folly.

I am become miserable, and am bow-
ed down, even to extremity: I went
sorrowful all the day.

Because my loins are fill'd with illu-
sions: and there is no health in my
flesh.

I am afflicted, and humbled very
much: I roared, out of the sighing of
my heart.

Lord, all my desire is before thee,
and my groaning is not hid from thee.

My heart is troubled, my strength
hath forsaken me: and the light of
mine eyes, that it self is not with me.

My

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My friends and my neighbours have drawn near and stood against me.

And they that were near me, stood afar off, and they who sought my Soul used force.

And they that sought my hurt, spake falsties, and studied deciets all the day.

But I as deaf did not hear: and was as one dumb, not opening his mouth.

And I became as a Man that doth not hear, and hath no reprehension in his mouth.

Because, O Lord, I have hoped in thee, thou shalt hear me O Lord my God.

For I have said, lest at any time my Enemies rejoyce over me; because whilst my feet are moved, they spake terrible things concerning me.

Because I am ready for scourges, and my grief is always in my sight.

Because I will declare my iniquity, and I will be thoughtful for my sin.

But my Enemies live, and are strengthened over me, and they that hate me unjustly are multiplied.

They who repay evil for good slandered me, because I followed goodness.

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Forſake me not, O Lord my God :
part not from me.

Incline unto my help, O Lord God
of my Salvation.

Glory be to the Father, &c.

The 50. Psalm.

HAve mercy on me, O God, ac-
cording to thy great mercy.

And according to the multitude of
thy tender mercies, blot out my ini-
quity.

Wash me yet more from my ini-
quity, and cleanse me from my sin.

Because I know my Iniquity, and
my sin is always againſt me.

To thee only have I ſined, and have
done evil before thee, that thou may-
eſt be juſtified in thy words, and mayeſt
overcome when thou art judged.

For, behold I was conceived in ini-
quities, and in ſins hath my Mother
conceived me.

For, behold thou haſt loved truth :
the uncertain and hidden things of thy
wiſdom, thou haſt made manifeſt to
me.

Thou ſhalt ſprinkle me we hyſop,
and I ſhall be cleaned; thou ſhalt
waſh

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wash me and I shall be maid whiter than snow.

Thou shalt make me to hear joy and gladness; and the bones that are humbled shall rejoice.

Turn away thy face from my sins; and blot out my iniquities.

Create a clean heart in me, O God, and renew a right spirit within my bowels.

Cast me not away from thy face, and take not thy holy Spirit from me.

Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation: and confirm me with a perfect spirit.

I will teach thy ways to the unjust, and the wicked shall be converted to thee.

Deliver me from Blood, O God, the God of my salvation, and my tongue shall extol thy justice.

Thou, O Lord, wilt open my lips: and my mouth shall declare thy Praise.

Because if thou wouldst have had sacrifice, verily I had given it: with burnt offerings thou wilt not be delighted.

A sacrifice to God, is a troubled spirit: a contrite and humble heart O God, thou wilt not despise. Ac.

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According to thy good will, O Lord,
deal favourably with Sion: that the
walls of Jerusalem may be built up

Then shalt thou accept the sacrifice
of justice, Oblations and whole Burnt-
offerings, then shall they lay calves
upon thy Altar.

Glory be to the Father, &c.

The 101 Psalm.

O Lord hear my prayer: and let
my cry come unto thee.

Turn not away thy face from me;
in what day soever I am in tribulation,
incline thine ear to me.

In what day soever I shall call upon
thee, hear me speedily.

For my days are vanished as smoke,
and my bones are withered, as a thing
that is burnt.

I am smitten as grass, and my heart
is withered; for I have forgotten to
eat my bread.

Through the voice of my groan-
ing, my bones have cleaved to my
Skin.

I am become like a Pelican of the
wilderness: I am become as a Night-
crow in the House.

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I have watched , and am become as
solitary Sparrow in the Houle top.

Mine Enemies upbraided me all the
day ; and they that praised me , sware
against me.

For I did eat ashes as bread , and
mingied my drink with weeping.

Because of thy wrath and thine in-
dignation ; for that having lifted me
up, thou hast thrown me down.

My days are declined as a shadow :
and I am withered as grass.

But thou , O Lord , remainest for
ever ; and thy remembrance from ge-
neration to generation.

Thou rising up , shalt have mercy
on Sion : for it is time to have mercy
on it, for the time is come.

Because the stones thereof have plea-
sed thy servants ; and they shall have
pity on the earth thereof

And the Gentiles shall fear thy
Name , O Lord : and all the Kings
of the Earth thy Glory.

For our Lord hath built Sion ; and
he shall be seen in his Glory.

He hath had regard to the supplica-
tion of the humble ; and he hath not
despised their Prayers.

Let

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Let these things be written for another generation : and the People to be created, shall praise our Lord.

Because he hath looked forth from his high Sanctuary ; our Lord from Heaven hath looked upon the Earth.

That he might hear the groans of such as are in fetters ; that he might unbind the children of them that are slain.

That they may shew forth the Name of our Lord in Sion , and his praise in Jerusalem.

When the People assemble together in one ; and Kings to serve our Lord.

He answered him in the way of his strength ; declare unto me the fewness of my days.

Call me not back in the midst of my days, thy Years are from generation to generation.

In the beginning , O Lord , thou lay'dst the foundation of the Earth, and the Heavens are the works of thy hands.

They shall perish, but thou remainest, and they shall all wax old , as a garment.

And as a vesture thou shalt change them,

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them, and they shall be changed ; but thou art the same , and thy years shall not fail.

The sons of thy servants shall inhabit, and their seed shall be directed for ever.

Glory be to the Father, &c.

The 129 Psalm.

FROM the depths I have cried to thee , O Lord ; Lord, hear my voice.

Let thine ears be attentive to the voice of my Petition.

If thou wilt observe iniquities , O Lord ; Lord, who shall sustain it ?

Because with thee there is Propitiation ; and because of thy Law I have expected thee, O Lord.

My Soul hath expected in his Word : my Soul hath hoped in our Lord.

From the morning watch , even until night : Let Israel hope in our Lord.

Because with our Lord there is mercy ; and with him plentiful Redemption.

And he shall redeem Israel from all his iniquities.

Glory be to the Father, &c.

The

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The 142 Psalm.

Lord, hear my Prayer, give ear unto my Petition in thy truth: hear me in thy justice.

And enter not into judgment with thy servant: for no one living shall be justified in thy sight.

For the Enemy hath persecuted my Soul: he hath humbled my life in the Earth.

He hath set me in darkness, as those who have been long dead: and my spirit is in anguish for my self, my heart is troubled within me.

I remembered the ancient days, I have meditated on all thy works: on the deeds of thy hands did I meditate.

I have stretched forth my hands to thee: my Soul is unto thee as Earth without water.

Hear me quickly, O Lord: my spirit hath fainted.

Turn not away thy face from me: because I shall be like to them that descend into the Lake.

Make me to hear thy mercy in the morning: for I have hoped in thee.

Make the way known to me, where-

in I may walk : because I have lifted
up my Soul to thee.

Deliver me from mine Enemies, O
Lord, to thee I have fled : teach me
to do thy will , because thou art my
God.

Thy good Spirit shall lead me into
the right land : for thy Name sake,
O Lord, thou shalt enliven me in thine
equity.

Thou shalt bring forth my Soul out
of Tribulation : and in thy mercy thou
shalt destroy mine Enemies.

And thou shalt destroy all that af-
flict my Soul ; because I am thy Servant
Glory be to the Father, &c.

The Antiphon.

Remember not, O Lord our offend-
ings, nor those of our parents ; neither
take thou vengeance of our sins.

THE LITANY.



Lord have mercy on us.
Christ, have mercy on us.
Lord, have mercy on us.

Christ

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Christ hear us.

Christ graciously hear us:

God the Father of Heaven, *Have mercy on us.*

God the Son, Redeemer of the world,
Have mercy on us.

God the Holy Ghost, *Have mercy on us.*

Holy Trinity, one God, *Have mercy on us.*

Holy Mary

Holy Mother of God

Holy Virgin of Virgins

St. Michael

St. Gabriel

St. Raphael

All ye holy Angels and Archangels

All ye holy Orders of blessed Spirits

St. John Baptist

All ye holy Patriarchs and Prophets

St. Peter

St. Paul

St. Andrew

St. James

St. John

St. Thomas

St. James

Pray for us.

St. Philip

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St. *Philip*

St. *Bartholomew*

St. *Matthew*

St. *Simon*

St. *Thadde*

St. *Matthias*

St. *Barnaby*

St. *Luke*

St. *Mark*

All ye holy Apostles and Evange-
lists

All ye holy Disciples of our Lord

All holy Innocents

St. *Stephen*

St. *Lawrence*

St. *Vincent*

St. *Fibian* and *Sebastian*

St. *John* and *Paul*

St. *Cosmas* and *Damian*

St. *Gervase* and *Provas*

All ye holy Martyrs

St. *Sylvester*

St. *Gregory*

St. *Ambrose*

St. *Augustine*

St. *Ferome*

St. *Martin*

St. *Nicholas*

All ye holy Bishops and Confessors

Pray for us.

All

Pray for us.

Philip

All ye holy Doctors.

St. Anthony

St. Bennet

St. Bernard

St. Dominick

St. Francis

All ye holy Priests and Levites

All ye holy Monks and Hermits

St. Mary Magdalen

St. Agatha

St. Lucy

St. Agnes

St. Cecily

St. Catherine

St. Anastasia

All ye holy Virgins and Widows

All ye Men and Women, Saints of God,

Make Intercession for us.

Be merciful unto us, *Spare us, O Lord.*

Be merciful unto us, *Graciously bear us, O Lord.*

From all evil, *O Lord deliver us.*

From all sin, *O Lord deliver us.*

From thy wrath, *O Lord deliver us.*

From sudden and unprovided death,
O Lord deliver us.

From the deceits of the Devil, *O Lord deliver us.*

From anger, hatred, and all ill will, *O Lord deliver us.*

Pray for us.

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From the spirit of Fornication, O
Lord deliver us.

From Lightning and Tempest, O Lord,
deliver us.

From everlasting Death, O Lord *deli-*
ver us.

By the Myſtery of thy holy Incarna-
tion, O Lord *deliver us.*

By thy Coming, O Lord *deliver us.*

By thy Nativity, O Lord *deliver us.*

By thy Baptiſm and holy Faſting, O
Lord deliver us.

By thy Croſs and Paſſion, O Lord *de-*
liver us

By thy Death and Burial, O Lord *de-*
liver us.

By thy holy Reſurrection, O Lord *de-*
liver us.

By thy admirable Aſcenſion, O Lord
deliver us.

By the coming of the Holy Ghoſt, the
Comforter, O Lord *deliver us.*

In the Day of Judgment, O Lord *de-*
liver us.

We ſinners *do beſeech thee to hear us.*

That thou ſpare us, *We beſeech thee*
hear us.

That thou pardon us, *We beſeech thee*
hear us.

That

That thou vouchsafe to bring us to true Penance, *We beseech thee hear us.*

That thou vouchsafe to govern and preserve thy holy Church, *We beseech thee hear us.*

That thou vouchsafe to preserve our Apostolic Prelate, and all Ecclesiastical Orders in holy Religion, *We beseech thee hear us.*

That thou vouchsafe to humble the Enemies of thy holy Church, *We beseech thee hear us.*

That thou vouchsafe to give Peace, and true Concord to Christian Kings and Princes, *We beseech thee hear us.*

That thou vouchsafe to grant Peace, and Unity to all Christian People, *We beseech thee hear us.*

That thou vouchsafe to comfort and keep us in thy holy Service, *We beseech thee hear us.*

That thou lift up our minds to heavenly desires, *We beseech thee hear us.*

That thou render eternal good things to our Benefactors, *We beseech thee hear us.*

That thou deliver our Souls, and those of our Brethren, Kingsfolks and Benefactors from eternal damnation, *We beseech thee hear us.*

That

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That thou vouchsafe to give and preserve the fruits of the Earth, *We beseech thee hear us.*

That thou vouchsafe to give eternal Rest to all the Faithful departed, *We beseech thee hear us.*

That thou vouchsafe graciously to hear us, *We beseech thee hear us.*

Son of God, *We beseech thee hear us.*

Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the World, *Spare us, O Lord.*

Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the World. *Hear us, O Lord.*

Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the World, *Have mercy on us.*

Christ hear us.

Christ graciously hear us.

Lord have mercy on us.

Christ, have mercy on us.

Lord, have mercy on us.

Our Father, in secret.

Vers. And lead us not into Temptation.

Resp. But deliver us from evil *Amen.*

The 69 Psalm.

INcline unto my aid, O God; O Lord make hast to help me.

Let them be confounded and ashamed, who seek my Soul.

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Let them be turned backward, and blush for shame, who desire evils to me.

Let them be turned away forthwith blushing for shame, who say to me, Well, well.

Let all that seek thee, rejoice and be glad: and let such as love thy salvation say always, Our Lord be magnified.

But I am needy and poor, O God, help me.

Thou art my helper, and my deliverer, O Lord be not slack.

Glory be to the Father, &c.

Vers. Save thy servants.

Resp. Trusting in thee, O my God.

Vers. Be unto us, O Lord, a tower of strength.

Resp. From the face of the Enemy.

Vers. Let not the Enemy prevail against us.

Resp. Nor the son of iniquity have power to hurt us.

Vers. O Lord, deal not with us according to our sins.

Resp. Nor yet reward us according to our iniquities.

Vers. Let us pray for our chief Bishop N.

Resp. Our

Resp. Our Lord preserve him, and give him life, and make him blessed on Earth: and deliver him not to the will of his Enemies.

Vers. Let us pray for our Benefactors.

Resp. O Lord, for thy Names sake vouchsafe to render eternal Life to all those, by whom we have received good.

Vers. Let us pray for the faithful departed.

Resp. Eternal rest give to them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine unto them.

Vers. Let them rest in peace.

Resp. Amen.

Vers. For our Brethren absent.

Resp. O my God, save thy Servants trusting in thee.

Vers. Send them help, O Lord, from the holy place.

Resp. And from Sion protect them.

Vers. O Lord, hear my Prayer.

Resp. And let my Supplication come unto thee.

Let us pray.

O God, whose property is always to have mercy, and to spare, receive our Petition, that we, and all thy Servants, who are bound by the chain of sin, may by the compassion of thy goodness mercifully be absolved.

Hear we beseech thee, O Lord, the Prayers of thy Suppliants, and pardon the sins of them that confess to thee, that of thy bounty thou may'st give us Pardon and Peace.

Out of thy Clemency, O Lord, shew thy unspeakable mercy to us, that so thou may'st both acquit us of our sins, and deliver us from the Punishments which we deserve for them.

O God, who by sin art offended, and by penance pacified, mercifully regard the Prayers of thy People, who make supplication to thee, and turn away the scourges of thy anger, which we deserve for our sins.

O Almighty and eternal God, have mercy on thy Servant *N.* our chief

chief Bishop, and direct him, according to thy clemency, in the way of everlasting salvation; that by thy grace he may desire such things as are agreeable to thy will, and perform them with all his strength.

O God, from whom are all holy desires, righteous counsels, and just works: Give to thy Servants that Peace which the world cannot give; that our hearts being disposed to keep thy Commandments, and the Fear of Enemies taken away, the Times thro' thy Protection may be peaceable.

INflame, O Lord, our reins and heart, with the fire of thy holy Spirit; to the end we may serve thee with a chaste Body, and please thee with a clean Heart.

O God the Creator and Redeemer of all the Faithful, give to the Souls of thy Servants departed, the Remission of all their sins: That thro' the help of pious Supplications, they may obtain the pardon which they have always been desirous of.

PRevent, we beseech thee, O Lord, our Actions, by thy holy inspirations, and carry them on by thy gracious Assistance that every Prayer and Work of ours, may begin always from thee, and by thee be happily ended.

O Almighty and eternal God, who hast Dominion over the living and the dead, and art merciful to all those whom thou foreknowest shall be thine by Faith and good works: We humbly beseech thee, that they for whom we have purposed to offer our Prayers, whether this present world still retains them in the flesh, or the next world hath received them out of their Bodies, may by the Intercession of thy Saints and the Clemency of thy Goodness obtain Pardon and full Remission of all their sins: Through our Lord Jesus Christ thy Son, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the Unity of the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end.

Resp. Amen.

Vers. O Lord, hear my prayer.

Resp. And let my Supplication come unto thee. *Vers.*

Vers. Our Almighty and most merciful Lord, graciously hear us.

Resp. Amen.

Vers. May the Souls of the Faithful, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. *Resp.* Amen.

A Thanksgiving.

*The Hymn of St. Ambrose and
St. Augustine.*

Te Deum laudamus.

OUR Tongues, O God, thy Praise record.

We thee confess, O Sovereign Lord.

To thee, eternal Father, all
Who dwell on Earth do prostrate fall.
To thee the Angels at all hours ;
To thee the Heav'ns and heavenly
Powers ;

To thee with voice incessantly,
The Seraphins and Cherubs cry ;
Thou Holy, Holy ; Holy One
Of Sabbath Lord and God alone.
Fill'd is the Earth, the Heav'n, the Sky,
With glory of thy Majesty.

The blest Apostles glorious Quire;
The Prophets, whom thou didst inspire;
And all the white-rob'd Martyrs sing
Eternal praise to thee their King.
The holy Church do's loudly sound
Thy blessed Name thor'out the Round
Of the whole Earth, confessing thee,
Father of boundless Majesty.
The same by her is also done,
To thy sole venerable Son :
And to thy Holy Ghost that arms,
The Soul with consolating charms.
Thou, *Christ*, hast Kingly glories won,
Thy Fathers sempiternal Son.
Thou, Man to free from endless pain,
A Virgins Womb didst not disdain.
Thou Death subduing, didst unlock,
Heav'n's Realms unto thy faithful Flock.
On Gods right-hand thou sit'st as bright,
As is thy Fathers radiant light.
Our Judge to come thou art esteem'd,
Thy Servants therefore help, redeem'd
With thy most precious blood, and make
Us with thy Saints of Bliss partake.
Lord save thy People in distress,
Thy Heritage vouchsafe to bless,
Rule and exalt them without end,
Our daily blessings thee attend.

Thy glorious Name we magnifie,
 From Age to Age, eternally.
 This day, sweet Lord, we now are in,
 Preserve us from committing sin.
 Have mercy on us, Lord, Efface
 Our sins with thy celestial Grace.
 Thy mercy on us, Lord, be seen,
 As on thy self our hopes have been.
 Lord, I have fix'd my hopes on thee,
 Then let me ne'r confounded be.

Vers. Let us bless the Father, and
 the Son, with the Holy Ghost.

Resp. Let us praise and extol him
 for ever.

Vers. O Lord, hear my Prayer.

Resp. And let my Supplication come
 unto thee.

Let us pray.

O God, of whose mercies there is no
 number, and of whose goodness
 the treasure is infinite: We humbly
 thank thy divine Majesty for the gifts
 thou hast bestowed on us; always be-
 seeching thy Clemency, that thou who
 grantest the request of those that hum-
 bly ask, wilt not forsake us, but dis-
 pose us, for the Rewards to come:
 Through our Lord, &c.

Prayers in honour of the Saints.

A Prayer in honour of any Martyr.

O God, who didst so strengthen in thy Faith and Love, thy blessed Martyr St. N. that no fleshly delights, nor threatnings of Tyrants, no swords nor tortures of cruel Executioners were able to withdraw him from thy Worship: Grant to us miserable sinners, through his Intercession, help in Tribulation, and comfort in Persecution, that we may manfully fight against all the Temptations of the Devil, and despise the World, and all that is in it, and that overcoming all Adversity, we may hereafter obtain those eternal joys, which, by thy holy Inspiration, we now desire: Through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A Prayer in honour of any Confessor.

A Almighty and everlasting God, who art the wonderful Light of thy beloved Saints, and principally hast appointed for us blessed Bishops, Doctors, and Confessors, as burning lights in thy House: And who by their holy

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Exhortations, Writings and Examples, art wont to reduce sinners from evil to good. We humbly beseech thee, that thou wouldst break asunder the bonds of our sins, and (having no regard to our unworthiness) render us partakers of the Intercession of blessed Saint N. and of all thy holy Confessors: that we, forsaking our sinful ways, and walking in true Faith and Charity, may follow them so long in good works, till at last we enjoy their Company in eternal Beatitude: Through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*A Prayer in honour of any holy Virgin,
Widow, &c*

O God, who among the many miracles of thy Power, hast given to the weaker Sex of Virgins, Widows and Matrons, the Victory of Martyrdom, and immaculate Chastity: Mercifully grant, that we, who celebrate the memory of blessed Saint N. may, by her Example and Intercession, despise the allurements of the flesh, the pleasures of the world, and even life it self for thy glory; and that daily exercising our selves in thy Service, we may still increase in grace here, and

at our death be admitted to the fruition of eternal felicity. *Amen.*

A Prayer in honour of any particular Saint.

VVE humbly beseech thee, O Lord God, Father Omnipotent, to receive the Prayers of thy Servants, who celebrate the memory of blessed Saint N. that by his holy Intercession, our Bodies may be delivered from all dangers and adversities, and our hearts cleansed from all evil thoughts: Through Jesus Christ our Saviour. *Amen.*

A Prayer to all the blessed Saints in Heaven.

O All ye Holy and Elect of God, for whom he prepared an eternal Kingdom, from the beginning: I beseech you by that charity wherewith he loved you, to have pity on me a most miserable sinner; and obtain that I may be reconciled to my Creator, before I am taken out of this world by death.

O blessed Mary Mother of God, and great Mediatrix for sinners to Christ, obtain

obtain for me right Faith, and firm hope; perfect Charity, and true Humility; with the excellent graces of Patience, Chastity, and Sobriety; and, after the course of this short and vain life, everlasting happiness.

O holy St. *Michael*, with all the thousands of glorious Angels, pray for me; that by your Intercession, I may be kept from the power of my adversary, and attaining here the love of God, pureness of heart, and strength of faith, I may hereafter be received into the joys of eternal glory.

O holy Patriarchs and Prophets, vouchsafe to obtain for me pardon and penance, continence and godly perseverance, and in the end, eternal life.

O ye blessed Apostles of Christ our Lord, deliver me by your Prayers from my sins, defend me from the pains of Hell, rescue me from the power of darkness, and bring me to the everlasting Kingdom.

I beseech you also, O ye glorious Martyrs of God, that perfect charity, sincere love, a pure mind, a chaste life, and remission of my sins, may

be given me by your holy Intercessions.

Holy Confessors of God, pray for me, that it may please Almighty God to blot out all my offences, and to inspire me with the desire of heavenly things, and a due reverence for Vertue.

Assist me, all you holy Virgins, with your Prayers to God, that he would adorn my Soul with the excellent Vertues of Humility, and Chastity, and, after the course of this miserable life, bring me to the fellowship of your perpetual Blessedness.

O all ye Saints of Heaven, have compassion on me, and pray for me, that through your Intercession, I may obtain of Almighty God, perfect compunction of heart for my sinful life; a clear and quiet Conscience at my death, and then for ever, the Joys of a never-ending Felicity. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, &c. *Amen.*

A Prayer

A Prayer Composed by St. *Augustin*, and recommended to the Devotion of all Christians, by P. *Urban VIII*.

Ante oculos tuos, Domine, &c.

BEfore thy holy Eyes, O Lord, we humbly lay open our guilty lives.

If we compare the faults we have committed, with the stripes we have received :

We must confess, the evils we have done are far greater than the evils which we suffer.

The crimes that burthen our Consciences are heavy, but the Chastisements which thou sendest us, are light.

We feel the punishment of sin, and still continue in the obstinacy of sinning.

Our weak Nature faints under thy Scourges, and our perverse Wills grow stronger in their Vices.

Our restless Minds find no content

in the liberties of the World, yet will not our stiff Necks bend to thy sweet Yoke.

We sigh away our days in grief, yet all our sorrow works not the least amendment in our lives.

If thou tarriest for our repentance, we abuse thy mercy; if thou takest vengeance on our ingratitude, we cannot bear thy justice.

Whilst we are under the rod, we bewail our offences; as soon as the smart is past, we forget our tears.

If thou stretchest out thy hand, we promise duty; if thou withholdest thy sword, we cease to pay our vows.

If thou strikest, we cry for pardon; and when thou hast pardoned, we provoke thee again to strike.

Thus we accuse our guilty selves, and freely acknowledge, that unless thou be merciful, we must be miserable.

Let then thy goodness, Lord, grant our Prayers without any merit of ours, whose Power created us out of nothing, that we might be able to pray: Thro' Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Antiphon.

We wait in expectation of our Saviour's coming, who will reform our frail Bodies, according to the pattern of his glorious Body.

Vers. Behold the God of Heaven is our Redeemer.

Resp. In him will we put our confidence, and will not fear.

Almighty God, who for the Redemption of Mankind, didst send thy only begotten Son to assume our Flesh, and suffer death upon the Cross; we humbly pray, that as our Saviour hath left us here the example of his patience, he would vouchsafe to make us hereafter partakers of his glory, who with thee, and the Holy Ghost, liveth and reigneth, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Devout Prayers made by Sir
Thomas More, whilst he was a
Prisoner in the *Tower*.

Give me, O Lord, thy Grace, in all
my fear and agony, to have re-
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course to that great Fear, and wonderful Agony, which thou, my sweet Saviour, sufferedst on Mount *Olivet*, before thy most bitter Passion, and in the meditation thereof to conceive such spiritual comfort as shall be profitable to my Soul.

Take from me, O my God, all vain-glorious thoughts, all appetite of my own praise, all envy, covetousness, gluttony, sloth, and luxury; all forward affections, all appetite of revenge, all desire of others harm, all pleasure in provoking any person to anger, all delight of exprobration and insultation against any in their affliction or calamity. Give me, O Lord, an humble, quiet, peaceable, patient, tender, and charitable mind; and in all my thoughts, words and deeds, to have a taste of thy holy Spirit.

Give me, O Lord, a lively Faith, a firm Hope, and a fervent Charity, a love of thee incomparably above the love of my self; that I may love nothing to thy displeasure, but every thing in order to thy satisfaction.

Give me, O Lord, a longing to be with thee, not for avoiding the calamities

ties of this wretched World, nor so much for escaping the pains of Purgatory, or those of Hell, nor for the attaining the joys of Heaven, with respect to my own advantage, as purely for the love of thee.

Retain for me, O Lord, thy love and favor, which my love to thee, were it ever so great, could not (without thy infinite goodness) deserve.

Pardon, O Lord, my boldness in making such high Petitions, being so vile and sinful a wretch, and so unworthy to obtain the lowest: Yet, O Lord, they are such things as I am bound to wish for, and should be near the effectual desire of them, if my manifold sins were not the impediment: From which, O sweet Saviour Christ, vouchsafe of thy goodness to wash me, with that blessed Blood, that issued out of thy tender Body in the divers torments of thy most bitter Passion.

Take from me, O Lord, this lukewarm, or rather stark cold manner of Meditations, and this dulness in Prayer: Give me fervor and delight in thinking on thee, and thy Grace, earnestly to desire thy holy Sacraments, and especially

to rejoyce in the presence of thy blessed Body (sweet Saviour Christ) in the holy Sacrament of the Altar : And duly to thank thee for thy gracious visitation therein, and at that high memorial with tender compassion to remember and consider thy most bitter Death upon the Cross.

Make us all, O Lord, every day virtually participants of that holy Sacrament : make us all lively Members, sweet Saviour Christ, of thy holy Mystical Body, the Catholic Church. *Amen.*

LORD give me patience in tribulation, and grace in every thing to conform my will to thine ; that I may truly say , Thy will be done on Earth as it is in Heaven.

The things, good Lord, that I pray for, give me thy grace to labor for. *Amen.*

Acts of Vertue.

Acts of love to God.

8. **O** Dear Jesus, King of all beauty and glory, I desire no other Inheritance

heritance but thee; O Jesus, my Supreme Good, permit me not to love any thing above thee, and let me love all other things only for thy sake.

2. O most vigilant Lord, and keeper of my Soul, take now possession of my heart, which was created for thee, and pierce it through with a thousand wounds of pure love : That I may for ever languish in sighing after thee, whom depends all my good.

3. Dear Jesus, to thee I consecrate my heart; I beseech thee, that no created thing may please me, but that I may rejoyce only in loving thy infinite Majesty.

4. O Life of my life, more beautiful than all created beauties, inflame me with a most ardent desire after thy eternal Beauty.

5. O my Lord, who will give me to die for thee, that my Soul may repose in thee, who art her rest, and her eternal felicity ?

6. O my infinite Good, I resign to thee all that thy liberality hath bestowed on me, and offer on the Altar of my Heart, my self in sacrifice, that thereby I may please thee.

Acts of love towards our Neighbour.

1. **M**OST merciful Lord, I beseech thy infinite goodness so to illuminate the hearts of all sinners, that they may come to do true penance for their sins, and seek thee, with all care, who art the only good of our Souls.

2. Grant, O my Lord, that all who have repented them of their sins, may faithfully amend their lives, and daily grow in thy grace.

3. I beseech thee, sweet Saviour, that all such as are blinded in Heresie, may return to our holy Mother, the Catholic Church.

4. Draw unto thee, most sweet Jesus, all those who are drowned in the sensual desires of the flesh, that they may run after the odors of thy precious Ointments.

5. I beseech thee, (my Lord) by the bowels of thy infinite mercy, that all such as seek after Ambition and Earthly Dignity, may turn all their affections to the love of thee

6. Forgive, sweet Saviour, all those that persecute me; grant they may love thee

thee in this Life , and after death for ever enjoy thee in Heaven.

Acts of Hope.

1. **O** Merciful Lord, and my God, I most firmly hope , by means of thy help, and those good works which I purpose to perform with thy grace, at the end of my life to enjoy eternal glory.

2. Although in every moment (merciful Saviour) I am guilty of many imperfections, yet I hope , by thy gracious assistance , hereafter to fulfil thy Commandments.

3. If I were guilty of all the sins , and enormous crimes , which from the begining of the world till this day have been committed , yet would I not despair of thy mercy.

4. I hope most firmly (O Son of God, and my Redeemer) by means of the Blessed Sacraments , and the Merits of thy Passion , to come to the enjoyment of eternal life.

5. O Lord of infinite mercy , as there was never sinner that called on thee , to whom thou didst not shew mercy : So I hope thou wilt have mer-

cy on me, calling on thee from the bottom of my heart.

Acts of Faith.

1. **M**Y Lord and Creator, I believe undoubtedly the blessed Trinity, three Divine Persons, and one Essence, one only God, most high, most mighty, most glorious, and all the other Articles, which the Catholic *Roman* Church believes, for which I am ready to die.

2. Saviour of my Soul, Author of the true Faith, I believe most firmly all that our holy Mother, the Catholic *Roman* Church believes and teaches, which I am ready to defend with my death.

3. Dear Lord, I believe most faithfully, that thy true Body and Blood is really present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar: which I will confess in the midst of the fire, and of a thousand swords.

4. I believe, my Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, that thou art perfect God and Man, in one only Person; for which Truth I am prepared to suffer all the Torments and Deaths that can be devised.

Acts of Penance or Contrition.

1. **M**ost merciful Lord, I detest and abhor all my sins only for thy love, and resolve to die a thousand times, rather than offend thee in any thing.

2. Merciful Lord ; I detest and renounce all my sins, because they are displeasing to thee, and resolve for thy sake to do penance for them. [*Here in particular you may offer up some Penance which you purpose to do.*]

3. O that I might (sweet Jesus) with my blood cancel my enormous crimes : I resolve for the time to come not to commit one venial sin, though I might gain by it whatever is precious upon the Earth.

4. O sweet Jesus , how it displeases me to have offended thee ! suffer me not for the future to offend thee any more.

5. O infinite Majesty ! would I had died, if it had been thy will , before ever I offended thee ; certainly for the future I will suffer a thousand deaths , rather than once sin against thee.

An Act of Contrition.

O Dreadful Lord, and most indulgent Father, &c. *as in Pag. 29.*

Instructions , with Prayers and Suffrages for the Sick.

Whensoever God shall please to visit thee with Sickness, thou oughtest with much diligence to prepare thy self to die well ; Discharge thy Heart of the Cares of this World ; Receive devoutly the Sacraments of the Church , and wholly recommend thy Soul to God, that thou may'st obtain strength to pass through thy Journey.

Remember the Passion of our sweet Saviour and Redeemer Jesus Christ : Embrace in thy Heart his holy Cross , Kiss his sacred Feet, and hide thy self in his blessed Wounds, that thou may'st be safe, and happily escape all the snares and enticements of the Devil : Humbly beseeching our Saviour Jesus Christ , that he would vouchsafe to wash thy Soul with his precious Blood, and entirely pardon all thy sins.

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And because of the unfruitfulness and imperfections of thy own life, offer to God the Father, the Merits of Jesus Christ, His most holy incarnation, Death, and Passion.

Recommend thy self to our blessed Lady; the glorious Virgin-Mother of God, and to the other Citizens of Heaven, and principally to that Saint whom thou hast been accustomed most to pray unto, believing certainly, that they hear thy Prayers, and not doubting but that if thou art truly sorrowful for thy sins, and dost heartily recommend thy self in thy last Agony to their holy Patronage, they will obtain of God for thee, such Graces, as shall be necessary to thee in this dangerous Passage.

A Profession and Prayers, very profitable, to be made by the Sick.

I Most wicked and unworthy sinner, Redeemed with the precious Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, profess openly that with a sincere heart, I forgive all those who have at any time offended me, or done me injuries in what manner soever: Most humbly desiring ever

ry one I have offended (whether present or absent) that they would vouch safe also to forgive me.

Here let the Sick Person call to mind his sins in particular, and ask God forgiveness; purposing firmly by Gods grace never to commit sin again: and though his sins be never so many, and the manner of his offences never so horrible and grievous, yet he is to trust in the Goodness and Omnipotence of God, whose mercies are innumerable, and to hope and be comforted in the Passion of Jesus Christ our Redeemer, saying, I believe in God the Father Almighty, Creator of Heaven and Earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, &c. as in Pag. 2.

O Holy Trinity, I beseech thee to keep and preserve this pure Religion of my Faith, and grant that it may ever be sounding in my Conscience till my Spirit depart.

O Almighty and merciful Jesus, I protest before thee, and all the Court of Heaven, that I have a will and desire to finish my life in this Faith, wherein every Child that is obedient to our Mother,

Mother, the Holy Church, is bound to live and die.

Furthermore, my sweet Saviour, I protest, that I believe wholly, and universally, all that which is contained in the Catholick Faith, and that which a true faithful Christian ought to believe: And that, if it happen by the assaults of the Devil, or by violence of Sicknes, I should come to think, say, or do any thing contrary to this purpose, I revoke it at this present, and protest that I give no consent to any such thought, word, or work.

I rejoyce and render thanks to my loving Creator and Redeemer, for the marvellous goodness of his Bounty, through which I hope undoubtedly to die in the Holy Catholic Faith: And so I commend my Soul and Body into his most holy hands, now, and at the hour of my death. *Amen.*

O Sweet Jesus, I desire neither life, nor death, but thy most holy will: Thee, O Lord, I look for; Be it unto me according to thy pleasure. If thou wilt (sweet Jesus) that I die, receive my Soul; and though I come late to thee, yet grant

grant, that with thee, and in thee, I may receive the happy wages of eternal life, if thou wilt, sweet Jesus, that I live longer on Earth, I purpose by the assistance of thy grace to amend the rest of my life, and offer all in sacrifice to thee, for thy honour and glory, according to thy blessed will.

O Merciful Jesus, my Vertue and power, my comfort and ease, my Protector and Redeemer, in whom I have hoped, in whom I have believed, and whom I have loved, my sweet delight, my tower of strength, my hope from my childhood, the guide of my life; call me, and I will answer thee: O Creator of Heaven and Earth, stretch forth the power of thy mercy to the work of thy hands, which thou createdst out of the slime of Earth, and tiedst together with bones and sinews. Command, O Lord, stay not; for it is time that dust should return to dust, and my Soul to thee my Saviour, who sent'st it down at first into this World.

Open me the gates of life: for thou diedst on the Cross for my sake, and
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promisedst to receive me. Come, my sweet Lord, let me embrace thee, let me not lose thee, bring me into thy heavenly Palace; thou art my Redeemer, my Glory, my Habitation, and Benediction. Receive me, most gracious Lord, according to the multitude of thy mercies, and place me in joys at thy right hand for ever.

I Am sick, my life is weak; and therefore to thee, O Lord, I run, as to my only Physician: Heal me, O Lord, and I shall be healed; and since all my confidence is reposed in thee, let me not be confounded. But what am I, O most merciful God, that speak so boldly to thee? I am a sinner, begotten, born and brought up in sin: I am a rotten carcase, a vessel of corruption, and meat for worms: What victory, O Lord, will it be, if when thou contendest, with me, thou shouldst overthrow me; who am less, in respect of thee, than a little straw before the face of the wind? Forgive, O Lord, forgive, all my sins; and lift me up from this low and miserable valley of tears. Thou art my Lord and my God, flesh of my flesh, bone of my bone;

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bone; thou didst assume my Human Nature, that I might boldly have recourse to thee, as to my Brother, and wouldst so merciful shadow thy Divinity, that I might not be afraid of thy dreadful Majesty. Wherefore arise, O Lord, and help, arise, and reject me not for ever.

I am sweet Jesus, a part of that dear purchase, which thou madest on the Cross: For me thou shedst thy precious Blood, cast me not away. I am that sheep which is gone astray, Seek me, O good Shepherd, and bring me to thy Flock, *that thou may'st be justified in thy Words*; For thou hast promised, that at what hour soever a sinner repents him of his sins, and turns to thee, he should be saved: I lament, O Lord, and mourn for my sins, I acknowledge my iniquity, my wickedness is always in my sight, I have sinned against Heaven, and before thee, and am not worthy to be called thy servant. Turn away thy face, O Lord, from my sins, and blot out mine iniquities according to thy great mercy. Cast me not away from thy sight, deal not with me according to my sins, nor reward me after the desert of

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mine iniquities; but help me, O Lord my Saviour, and for the glory of thy Name, deliver me. Deal mercifully with me, according to thy good pleasure; that with the rest of thy Elect, I may be admitted into thy glorious and eternal Palace, and praise thee for ever. *Amen.*

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Lord have mercy on *him(her or me.)*
Christ, have mercy on him.

Lord, have mercy on him.

O God the Father, Creator of the world, *Have mercy on him.*

O God the Son, Redeemer of Mankind, *Have mercy on him.*

O God the Holy Ghost, Perfecter of the Elect, *Have mercy on him.*

O Sacred Trinity, three Persons, and one God, *Have mercy on him.*

Holy Mary, *Pray for him.*

All holy Angels and Archangels, *Pray for him.*

Holy Abel, *Pray for him.*

All the blessed Company of the Just, *Pray for him.*

Holy

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Holy Abraham, *Pray for him.*

Holy St. John Baptist, *Pray for him.*

All holy Patriarchs and Prophets, *Pray for him.*

St. Peter and St. Paul, *Pray for him.*

St. Andrew and St. John, *Pray for him.*

All holy Apostles and Evangelists, *Pray for him.*

All holy Disciples of our Lord, *Pray for him.*

All holy Innocents, *Pray for him.*

St. Stephen and St. Laurence, *Pray for him.*

All holy Martyrs, *Pray for him.*

St. Silvester and St. Augustin, *Pray for him.*

All holy Bishops and Confessors, *Pray for him.*

St. Bennet and St. Francis, *Pray for him.*

All holy Priests and Religious, *Pray for him.*

St. Mary Magdalen and St. Lucy, *Pray for him.*

All holy Virgins and Widows, *Pray for him.*

All holy Saints of God, *Make Intercession for him.*

Have mercy, O Lord, *And spare him.*

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Have mercy, O Lord, *and hear him.*
From all his sins, *Deliver him, O Lord.*
From all temptations, and the snares of
Satan, *Deliver him, O Lord.*
From all impatience, and repining at
thy just chastisements, *Deliver him,*
O Lord.
From dejection of Spirit, and diffi-
dence in thy Mercies, *Deliver him,*
O Lord.
From the fear of Death, and too
much desire of Life, *Deliver him,*
O Lord.
From distracting his Mind with the
things of this world, and neglecting
to prepare himself for Eternity, *De-*
liver him, O Lord.
By thy Cross and Passion, *Deliver him,*
O Lord.
By thy Death and Burial, *Deliver him,*
O Lord.
By thy glorious Resurrection and A-
scension, *Deliver him, O Lord.*
By the Grace of the Holy Ghost the
Comforter, *Deliver him, O Lord.*
In the Hour of Death, and in the Day
of Judgment, *Deliver him, O Lord.*
We sinners, *Beseech thee to hear us.*

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That it would please thee to comfort him in his sorrows, and enable him to look beyond Death, on the blessed State it leads to, *We beseech thee, hear us.*

That it would please thee to bring into his thoughts all thy mercies, and by them encourage him to a confidence in thee, *We beseech thee, hear us.*

That thou wouldst vouchsafe him the grace to order all his temporal Affairs with prudence, Justice and Charity; and with a free and quiet mind wholly attend to dispose himself for Heaven, *We beseech thee, hear us.*

That thou wouldst vouchsafe him the grace entirely to confess, and sincerely to repent of all his sins, *We beseech thee hear us.*

That thou wouldst vouchsafe him the grace, heartily to forgive all those who have offended him, and satisfy, to his power, whoever has suffered the least prejudice by him, *We beseech thee, hear us.*

That being thus reconciled to thee and all the world, he may, with an humble and assured hope, reverently receive the sacred *Viaticum* of thy blessed

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bleſſed Body, and firmly perſevere to the end in thy grace and favour, *We beſeech thee, hear us.*

That the pains of his Sickneſs may expiate the puniſhment due to his Sins, by diminiſhing his love of this world, and increaſing his deſire of the next, *We beſeech thee, hear us.*

That whatever thy providence ſhall determine concerning him, he may readily ſubmit to thy holy will, and whether he live or die, be always thine, *We beſeech thee, hear us.*

Son of God, *We beſeech thee, hear us.*

O Lamb of God, that takeſt away the ſins of the world, *Spare us, O Lord.*

O Lamb of God, that takeſt away the ſins of the world, *Hear us, O Lord.*

O Lamb of God, that takeſt away the ſins of the world, *Have mercy on us.*

Lord, have mercy on us.

Chriſt, have mercy on us.

Lord, have mercy on us.

Our Father, &c.

Vers. O Lord, hear my Prayer.

Reſp. And let my Supplication come unto thee.

The Prayer.

ALmighty and everliving God, in whose hands are the keys of life and death, and whose infinite wisdom disposes all things for the best to them that love thee : Behold, we beseech thee, thy Servant, whom thou hast cast upon the Bed of Sicknes, and support with thy grace his afflicted Spirit ; strengthen his Faith, increase his Hope, and perfect his Charity ; and sanctifie to him every accident of his sufferings ; that if thy mercy shall restore him to his health, he may more carefully correct the errors of his former life ; and if it shall please thee to call him to thy self, he may pass through the valley of the shadow of Death with safety, and be transported by thy holy Angels into the Mansions of Bliss, where no fears shall trouble him, no pains torment him, nor any grief disturb the quiet of his mind, but perfect security, pure delights, and unspeakable joys, shall for ever be established unto him : Thro our Lord Jesus Christ, thy only Son, who with thee, and the Holy Ghost liveth

liveth and reigneth , one God , world
without end. *Amen.*

A Recommendation of a Soul departing.

Blessed are they that die in the
Lord, for they rest from their la-
bours, and their works follow them. In
peace then depart , O happy Soul, out
of this miserable world , to thy eter-
nal home ; depart with full hope and
confidence , in the Name of God the
Father Almighty , who created thee ;
in the Name of Jesus Christ , Son of
the living God , who suffered for thee
on the holy Cross ; in the Name of the
Holy Ghost, whose graces were infu-
sed into thee ; in the Name of the holy
Angels and Archangels ; in the Name
of the Thrones and Dominations ; in
the Name of the Cherubins and Sera-
phins, and of all the Quires of blessed
Spirits ; in the Name of the Patriarchs
and Prophets ; in the Name of the holy
Apostles and Evangelists ; in the Name
of the holy Martyrs and Confessors ; in
the Name of the holy Virgins, and of
all the Saints of God. Let thy place be
this day in peace, and thy habitation in
holy Sion : Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

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O Gracious God, who according to the multitude of thy mercies, blottest out the sins of such as are penitent, and with thy remission and pardon, purgest the guilt of past offences; merciful look upon this thy servant N. and for these our Prayers grant him his Request, who most earnestly craves the pardon of all his sins. Renew in him, O merciful Father, whatever is corrupt through the frailty of the flesh, or by the craft of Satan, Have mercy, O Lord on his sighs, have mercy on his tears, and again admit him to the Sacrament of thy Reconciliation, who hath no hope but in thy mercy; Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

TO the infinite mercy of Almighty God, and to his sacred protection, I recommend thee, whose Creature thou art, that thou may'st return again to thy Maker, who fram'd thee of a piece of clay: Let therefore the noble Company of Angels meet thy Soul! let the whole Senate of Apostles receive thee; let the Triumphant

phant Army of glorious Martyrs conduct thee; let the multitude of shining Confessors encompass thee; let the whole Quire of singing Virgins rejoyce to see thee, and lead thee to the place of blessed rest and quietness; let Christ Jesus appear to thee, with a mild and chearful countenance, and adjudge thee to be amongst those who always attend on him.

Christ Jesus deliver thee from all torments, who was crucified for thee; Christ Jesus deliver thee from Death, who vouchsafed to die for thee; Christ Jesus, Son of the living God, place thee in his garden of Paradise, which is always pleasant and flourishing. He that is the true shepherd, receive thee amongst his Sheep, absolve thee from all thy sins, and place thee at his right-hand, in the inheritance of his Elect.
Amen.

Deliver, O Lord, the Soul of thy Servant, from all dangers of Hell, and from all pain and tribulation.
Resp. Amen.

Deliver, O Lord, the Soul of thy Servant, as thou deliverdst *Enoch* and

Elias from the common death of the world.

Resp. Amen.

Deliver, O Lord, the Soul of thy Servant, as thou deliveredst *Noah* from drowning in the general Flood.

Resp. Amen.

Deliver, O Lord, the Soul of thy servant, as thou deliveredst *Job* from his misery and affliction.

Resp. Amen.

Deliver, O Lord, the Soul of thy servant, as thou deliveredst *Isaac* from being offered in Sacrifice by the hands of his Father.

Resp. Amen.

Deliver, O Lord, the Soul of thy servant, as thou deliveredst *Lot* from *Sodom* and the flame of fire.

Resp. Amen.

Deliver, O Lord, the Soul of thy servant, as thou deliveredst *Moses* from the hands of *Pharaoh*, King of the *Egyptians*.

Resp. Amen.

Deliver, O Lord, the Soul of thy servant, as thou deliveredst *Daniel* from the Den of Lions.

Resp. Amen.

Deliver

Deliver, O Lord, the Soul of thy servant, as thou deliveredst the Three Children out of the fiery Furnace, and from the hands of the cruel and unmerciful King.

Resp. Amen.

Deliver, O Lord, the Soul of thy servant, as thou deliveredst *Susanna* from the Crime with which she was falsely charged.

Resp. Amen.

Deliver, O Lord, the Soul of thy servant, as thou deliveredst *David* from the hands of *Saul* and *Goliath*.

Resp. Amen.

Deliver, O Lord, the Soul of thy servant, as thou deliveredst *St. Peter* and *St. Paul* out of Prison.

Resp. Amen.

And as thou deliveredst that blessed Virgin and Martyr *St. Tecla* from her most cruel torments; so vouchsafe to deliver the Soul of this thy Servant, and bring it into the freedom of thy Elect, to partake of thy everlasting joys in Heaven.

Resp. Amen.

Devout Prayers which may be said after (the Litanies of the Saints) according to the diversity of Times and Occasions.

A Prayer for God's holy Church.

O Almighty and everlasting God, who hast revealed thy Glory to all Nations in Christ; Preserve the works of thy mercy, that thy Church spread throughout the world, may persevere with stedfast Faith, in the Confession of thy Name: Through the same Lord Jesus, &c.

For the chief Bishop.

O God the Pastor and Governor of all the Faithful, mercifully regard thy Servant *N.* whom thou hast placed as chief Pastor over thy Church:
Grant

Grant him, we beseech thee, that both by word and example he may profit those who are under his Charge, to the end, that together with the Flock committed to him, he may come to everlasting life: Through our Lord, &c.

For all Degrees of the Church.

ALmighty and everlasting God, by whose holy Spirit the Universal Body of the Catholick Church is sanctified and governed: Hear, we beseech thee, our humble Supplications for all the Orders, States and Degrees thereof; that by the gift of thy grace they may all in their several Stations, faithfully serve thee, in Unity, Peace and perpetual Charity: Through our Lord Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

A Prayer in any Necessity.

O God our refuge and strength, vouchsafe to hear the devout Prayers of thy Church, thou who art the Author of all Devotion; and grant that what we ask with Faith, we may effectually obtain: Through our Lord Jesus, &c.

Against

Against Persecutors of the Church.

R Eceive, we beseech thee, O Lord, the Prayers of thy Church, and mercifully appease thy wrath against us, that all Adversities and Errors being removed, we may serve thee in secure Liberty : Through our Lord Jesus, &c.

For help against Infidels.

O Most merciful God , who rememberest not the iniquities of them that turn to thee, but mercifully hearest the voice of their Tears : Behold with pity the holy Temples which are prophaned by the hands of Infidels, and the Affliction of thy beloved Flock : Remember thy Inheritance, which thou hast purchased with the Effusion of the most precious Blood of thy only begotten Son : Visit the Vineyard which thou hast planted , and defend it from the wild Boar, which is broken into it, and endeavours to destroy it : Strengthen such as labour in it , by thy Power ; and giving them Victory over their Enemies here , make them hereafter Possessors of thy Kingdom : Through the same Lord, &c.

A Prayer for the King.

O Almighty Lord, by whom Kings reign, and from whom they derive their Power : we humbly beseech thee to preserve thy servant *JAMES*, our King and Supream Governour, confirming in him the right understanding of his weighty Office, as also his Courage and Prudence for the due Execution thereof ; that the Sword of Justice in his Hand, may establish us in Peace and Plenty, to our free progress in true Vertue, and to the increase of his own eternal Reward : Through our Lord, &c.

A Prayer for the Afflicted.

O Almighty everlasting God, the Comfort of the sorrowful, and the support of those who are burthened : Give ear to the Prayers of such as call on thee out of any Tribulation, that finding thy mercy present with them in their necessities, their mourning may be turned into joy : Through our Lord, &c.

For Heriticks and Schismatics.

O Almighty everlasting God, who savest all, and wouldst not that any should perish; favourably look down upon those Souls which are seduced by the deceits of Satan: That all heretical impiety being removed, the hearts of such as err may repent, and return to the unity of thy Truth: Through our Lord, &c.

For the unfaithful Jews.

O Almighty everlasting God who repellst not from thy mercy, even the perfidiousness of the Jews: Hear our Prayers, which we offer for the blindness of that People; that the light of thy Truth, Christ our Lord, being known to them, they may be deliver'd from their Darknes: Through the same our Lord, &c.

For the Pagans.

O Almighty everlasting God, who desirest not the Death of sinners, but always their Life: Mercifully accept our Prayers, and diliver the pagans from the Worship of Idols, and

joyn them to thy Church, to the Praise
and Honor of thy glorious Name :
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, &c.

In the time of War.

O God, who puttest an end to
Wars, and by the Power of thy
Protection, vanquishest the Opposers
of such as trust in thee : Help thy Ser-
vants, who earnestly crave thy Mer-
cy, that the Cruelty of all our Ene-
mies being defeated, we may praise
thee with incessant Thanksgiving :
Through our Lord, &c.

Against Pagans and Turks.

O Almighty everlasting God, in
whose hands are the Powers of
all Persons, and the Rights of King-
doms : Incline favourably to the aid
of Christians, that the Pagan and Ma-
hometan People, who trust in their
own Cruelty, may be crushed by the
Power of thy Right-hand : Through
our Lord, &c.

A Prayer for Peace.

O God from whom are all holy desires
as before in Pag. 185.

In

In time of Famine and Pestilence.

GRant us, we beseech, thee, O Lord, the effect of our Prayer, and mercifully turn away from thy Servants, all Pestilence and Famine: That the Hearts of Men may know, that such scourges proceed from thy indignation, and cease by thy mercy: Through our Lord, &c.

A Prayer for Rain.

O God, in whom we live, and move, and have our Being: Grant to us, we beseech thee, competent Rain, that partaking sufficiently of thy temporal Blessings, we may the more confidently desire everlasting things: Through our Lord, &c.

For fair Weather.

Hear our Supplications, O Lord, and vouchsafe to thy Servants the blessings of fair Weather; that we who are justly afflicted for our sins, may by thy Clemency find relief: Through our Lord, &c.

In any Tribulation.

O Almighty God, despise not thy People, who call unto thee in their Affliction, but for the glory of thy Name forgive them their sins, and deliver them from all their sorrows: Through Jesus, &c.

For Remission of sins.

O God, who rejectest none, but art pacified by Penance, even towards the greatest Offenders: Propitiously regard the Prayers of thy Servants, that by thy mercy we may be pardoned our sins, and enabled to fulfil thy Commandments: Through our Lord, &c.

Against Temptations.

O God, who justifiest the wicked that repent, and desirest not the death of a sinner: We humbly beseech thy Majesty, with thy heavenly grace to defend thy Servants who trust in thy mercy, and preserve them by thy continual Protection, that they may still serve thee, and by no temptations be ever separated from thee: Through our Lord, &c.

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For such as are in a Journey.

Hearken to our Supplications, O Lord, and render the way of thy Servants prosperous and safe, granting that amidst all the varieties of this Journey, and their whole life, they may ever be protected by thy aid: Through our Lord, &c.

A Prayer for the Sick.

O Almighty Everlasting God, the eternal Salvation of them that believe: Hear us for thy sick Servants, for whom we humbly crave the help of thy mercy; that their Health being restored to them, they may render thanks to thee in thy Church: Through our Lord, &c.

In Tribulation for sin.

Out of thy Clemency, O Lord, &c.
as before in Pag. 184.

A Prayer for sinners.

Hear, we beseech thee, O Lord, &c.
as before also in Pag. 184.

A Prayer for the Living.

EXtend unto thy Faithful, O Lord, the right-hand of thy heavenly succour, that they may seek thee with all their heart, and obtain of thy mercy whatever is necessary to their condition: Through our Lord, &c.

For the Living and the Dead.

O Almighty and eternal God, who hast Dominion, &c. *as in Pag.*
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Vers. O Lord, hear my Prayer.

Resp. And let my Supplication come unto thee.

Vers. Our Lord, graciously hear us,

Resp. And keep us for ever.

Prayers to beg the Grace of the
Holy Ghost.

Veni sancte Spiritus.

COME Holy Ghost, God of love,
From thy brightest Throne above,
Send us a resplendent ray.

Come.

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Come thou Father of the poor,
Come thou willing gift bestower.

Come thou heart-reviving day.
Thou, of Comforters the best,
Thou, the Souls delightful guest,
A refreshing sweet relief.

Thou art rest in toil and sweat,
Coolness in excessive heat,
Solace to a Soul in grief.

O Light, Sacred and Divine!
On thy Faithful Lovers shine,
With thy self their Bosoms fill.

While th'art absent nothing can
Have a price or wrath in Man;
Nothing can he act but ill.

What is sordid, purifie,
Moisten also what is dry,

What is wounded, render sound.
Pliant make what's hard to Yield,
Cherish what with cold is Chill'd.

Govern what's in error found,
To thy Faithful, and to those
Who on thee their trust repose,
All thy seven Graces send.

Give thy servants Vertu's merit,
Grant at last we may inherit

Such delights as never end. *Amen.*

Vers. Send forth thy Spirit, and they shall be created.

Resp. And thou shalt renew the face of the Earth.

Vers. O Lord hear my Prayer.

Resp. And let my Supplication come unto thee.

Let us Pray.

O God, who by the illumination of the Holy Ghost, hast instruct'd the hearts of the Faithful: Grant that by the same Spirit we may have a right understanding in all things, and evermore rejoyce in his holy Consolation: Through our Lord Jesus Christ, who with thee and the same Holy Ghost, liveth and reigneth, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

O God, to whom every Heart is open, every Will doth declare it self, and from whom no secret lies hid: purifie by the inspiration of the Holy Ghost the Cogitations of our hearts; that we may perfectly love thee and worthily praise thee: Through our Lord Jesus Christ, who with thee and the same Holy Ghost, &c.

A Prayer for our Friends.

O God, who hast poured the Gifts of Charity, by the Grace of the Holy Ghost, into the hearts of the Faithful: Grant to thy Servants (*here name those you pray for*) for whom we implore thy Mercy, Health of Mind and Body; that they may love thee with all their strength, and with their utmost love accomplish those things which are pleasing to thee: Through our Lord Jesus Christ, who with thee, and the same Holy Ghost, &c.

For our Enemies.

O God, the lover of Peace, and conservator of Charity: Give peace and true Charity to all our Enemies; grant them Remission of all their sins; and deliver us from their Deceits: Through our Lord Jesus Christ, &c.

Against wicked Thoughts.

O Almighty and most gracious God, mercifully regard our Prayers, and deliver our hearts from the Temptations of evil thoughts; that our Souls may be made a worthy habitation for
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the Holy Ghost: Through our Lord Jesus Christ, who with thee, and the same Holy Ghost, &c.

A Prayer for Charity.

O God, who makest all things beneficial to them that love thee: Infuse into our hearts an inviolable love of thy Charity; that such desires as we conceive by thy holy Inspiration, may by no Temptation be ever changed: Through our Lord, &c.

For Patience.

O God, who by the Humility of thy only begotten Son hast confounded the pride of the old Enemy: Grant, we beseech thee, that we may often call to mind what he meekly suffered for us, and by his Example, patiently endure all Adversities: Through our Lord, &c.

For the Holy Catholic Church.

Defend, O Lord, thy Servants, we humbly beseech thee, &c. as in pag. 211.

Prayers for Women Travailing with Child.

To God the Father.

MOst merciful Father of Heaven,
hear the Prayers of thy Ser-
vants, for thy Handmaid labouring
with Child; that as by thy good Pro-
vidence she hath conceived, so by thy
special Blessing she may speedily be de-
livered: Through our Lord Jesus
Christ thy Son, who with the Father,
and the Holy Ghost, livest and reignest,
one God, world without end. *Amen.*

To God the Son.

OBlessed Jesus, who wast born with-
out any pain to thy most pure
Virgin Mother: Grant mercifully, that
the Fruit of thy Handmaid may so come
safe and perfect into this world, that
it may by the Font of Baptism, be born
again to thee: who with the Father,
and the Holy Ghost, livest and reign-
est, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

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To God the Holy Ghost.

O God the Holy Ghost, the assured Comforter of those who call on thee: Vouchsafe, we beseech thee, to hear thy Servants, offering these our Prayers on the behalf of thy Hand-maid: that by thy grace she may patiently suffer the pains of Child-bearing, and by thy mercy obtain a safe and speedy Deliverance; who with the Father, and the Son, livest, &c.

To our blessed Lady.

The Antiphon.

TO thee, and to thy Holy Intercession, O Virgin-Mother of God, all Women labouring in Child-Birth flie, repel them not in their necessities, but help them with thy powerful Prayers, O glorious and ever blessed Virgin.

Vers. In all our tribulations and anguishes.

Resp. The blessed Virgin-Mother assist us.

Most pure Virgin, and glorious Mother of our Saviour, who next

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to thy dear Son, art our Refuge, our Hope and Comfort : Vouchsafe, we beseech thee, to implore his mercy for thy Suppliant, that she may be safely delivered, and the Fruit of her Womb baptized, and hereafter so live in the fear and service of God, that it may come at last to the Kingdom of Joy, and eternal Glory : Through Jesus Christ, &c.

Hail Mary, &c.

The Antiphon.

Salve Regina, Mater, &c.

Hail to the Queen, who reigns above,
Mother of Clemency and Love ; (we
Hail thou, our Hope, Life, Sweetness ;
Eyes banish'd Children cry to thee.

We from this wretched vale of tears
Send sighs and groans unto thine ears.
O then, sweet Advocate, bestow
A pitying look on us below.

After this Exile let us see
Our blessed Jesus born of thee.
O merciful, O pious Maid,
O gracious Mary, lend thine aid,

Vers Pray for thy distressed Hand-
maid, O blessed Mother of God.

Resp.

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Resp. That she may for ever rejoyce
in thy Son.

The Prayer.

O Almighty eternal God, who didst
so prepare the Body and Soul of
the glorious Virgin *Mary*, by co-ope-
ration of thy Holy Ghost, that she be-
came worthy for the Reception of thy
Son: Grant, that through the pious
Intercession of this Blessed Mother, in
whose commemoration we now rejoyce,
thy servant labouring with Child, may
be succoured, and speedily delivered :
Through the same Jesus Christ our
Lord. *Amen.*

The Litany for the Dead.



Lord have mercy on us.
Christ have mercy on us.
Lord have mercy on us.
Jesus receive our Prayers.
Lord Jesus grant our Petitions.
O God the Father, Creator of the
World,

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World, *Have mercy on the Souls of the faithful departed.*

O God the Son, Redeemer of Mankind, *Deliver the Souls of the faithful departed.*

O God the Holy Ghost, Perfecter of the Elect, *Accomplish the Bliss of the faithful departed.*

O Sacred Trinity, Three Persons and one God, *Give rest to the Souls of the faithful departed.*

Blessed Virgin Mary, who by the special privilege of Grace, wert triumphantly assumed into the Kingdom of thy Son, *Pray for the Souls of the faithful departed.*

Blessed Angels, who ordering a right the first Act of your will, were immediately settled in an unchangeable state of felicity, *Pray for the Souls of the faithful departed.*

Blessed Patriarchs, whose spirits were fill'd with joy, when the Desired of all Nations brought Redemption to your long Captivity, *Pray for the Souls of the faithful departed.*

Bless'd Prophets, who having patiently attended the coming of the *Messias* where at length refresh't with the happy

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happy visit of his Divine Person, *Pray for the Souls of the faithful departed.*

O all you blessed Saints, who, at the glorious Resurrection of our Saviour, were by him translated from the Bosom of *Abraham*, to the clear vision of God, *Pray for the Souls of the Faithful departed.*

Blessed Apostles, who, at the last and terrible day, shall sit on twelve Thrones, judging the twelve Tribes of Israel, *Pray for the Souls of the faithful departed.*

Blessed Disciples of our Lord, who, following his sacred steps in the narrow path of perfection, went strait on to the heavenly Jerusalem, *Pray for the Souls of the faithful departed.*

Blessed Martyrs, who, passing through the Red-Sea of your own Blood, without journeying through a tedious Wilderness, entered immediately in the Land of Promise, *Pray for the Souls of the faithful departed.*

Blessed Confessors, who, despising the Vanities here below, and placing your Affections entirely on the Joys above, are already arrived to the full possession of all your wishes, *Pray for the Souls of the faithful departed.*

Blessed

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Blessed Virgins, who watching continually with your Lamps prepared, were ready at the first voice of the chaste Spouse of Heaven, to enter with him into the Marriage-Chamber, *Pray for the Souls of the faithful departed.*

O all you holy Saints, who, not retaining at your deaths the least irregular adherence to any Creatour, were Perfectly capable of an immediate union with your Creator, *Pray for the Souls of the faithful departed.*

Be merciful, O Lord, *And pardon their sins.*

Be merciful, O Lord, *And hear our Prayers.*

From the shades of Death, where they sit depriv'd of the blisful light of thy countenance, *Deliver them, O Lord.*

From the evils, to which their defective Mortifications in this World have expos'd them in the other, *Deliver them, O Lord.*

From thy anger, which now too late they grieve to have provoked by their negligence and ingratitude, *Deliver them, O Lord.*

From the Bonds of sin, wherein they remain

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remain entangled by the disorder of their affections, *Deliver them, O Lord.*

From the pains of purgatory, justly inflicted on them, as the proper effects of their sins, *Deliver them, O Lord.*

From that dreadful prison, whence there is no release till they have paid the utmost farthing, *Deliver them, O Lord.*

From all their torments, incomparably greater than the sharpest sorrows of this life, *Deliver them, O Lord.*

By the multitude of thy mercies which have always shewn compassion on the frailties of Humane Nature, *Deliver them, O Lord.*

By the infinite merits of thy Death upon the Cross, where thou reconciledst the World to thy Father, *Deliver them, O Lord.*

By thy victorious descent into Hell, to break asunder the chains of Death, and free such as were imprison'd, *Deliver them, O Lord.*

By thy glorious Resurrection from the Grave, when thou openedst the Kingdom of Heaven to all Believers, *Deliver them, O Lord.*

By thy triumphant Ascension into
Heaven

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Heaven when thou ledst captivity captive, and promisedst to prepare a place for thy servants, *Deliver them, O Lord.*

By thy dreadful coming to judge the World, when the works of every one shall be tried by fire, *Deliver them, O Lord.*

We sinners, beseech thee hear us.

That it would please thee to hasten the day of visiting thy Faithful detain'd in the receptacles of sorrow, and transport them to the city of eternal peace. *We beseech thee hear us.*

That it would please thee to shorten the time of Expiation for their sins, and graciously admit them into thy Holy Sanctuary, where no unclean thing can enter, *We beseech thee hear us.*

That it would please thee through the Prayers and Alms of thy Church, and especially the inestimable Sacrifice of thy holy Altar, to receive them into thy Tabernacles of Rest, and crown their long Hopes with everlasting Fruition, *We beseech thee hear us,*

That the blessed Vision of Jesus may comfort them, and glorious light of
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his Cross shine upon them , *We beseech thee hear us.*

That thy holy Angels may bring them into the land of the living , and the glorious Queen of Saints present them before thy Throne , *We beseech thee hear us.*

That the venerable Patriarchs may meet them , and all the ancient Prophets rejoyce to see them , *We beseech thee hear us.*

That the sacred College of Apostles may open them the gates of Bliss, and the victorious Army of Martyrs conduct them to thy Palace, *We beseech thee hear us.*

That the blessed Company of Confessors may place them in Seats of eternal Glory, and the chaste Train of Virgins, with heavenly Anthems congratulate their reception, *We beseech thee hear us.*

That the whole triumphant Church may celebrate the Jubilee of their deliverance ; and all the Quires of Angels sing Hymns of joy, for their new and never-ending Felicity , *We beseech thee hear us.*

That, in the midst of all these Triumphs,

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umphs, the Souls that are delivered may themselves adore the glorious Author of their happiness, and in their white Robes eternally sing *Alelujah*; Salvation to our God that sits upon the Throne, and to the Lamb that redeemed us by his Blood, and made us Kings to reign with him for ever, *We beseech thee hear us.*

Son of God, *We beseech thee hear us.*

O Lamb of God, who shalt come with glory to judge the living and the dead, *Give rest to the Souls of the faithful departed.*

O Lamb of God, at whose presence the Earth shall be moved, and the Heavens melt away, *Give rest to the Souls of the faithful departed.*

O Lamb of God, in whose blessed Book of Life all their Names are written, *Give eternal rest to the Souls of the faithful departed.*

The Antiphon.

Deliver us, O Lord, and all thy Faithful in that Day of Terror, when the Sun and Moon shall be darkened, and the Stars fall down from Heaven; in that Day of Calamity and
amazement.

amazement, when Heaven it self shall shake, and the pillars of the Earth be moved, and the glorious Majesty of Jesus, come with innumerable Angels to judge the World by fire.

Vers. Deliver us, O Lord, in that dreadful Day.

Resp. And place us with the Blessed at thy right-hand for ever.

Vers. O Lord hear my Prayer.

Resp. And let my Supplication come unto thee.

ALmighty God with whom do live the Spirits of the Perfect, and in whose holy custody are deposited the Souls of all those that depart hence in an inferiour degree of thy Grace, who, being by their imperfect Charity rendered unworthy of thy Presence, are detain'd in a state of grief, and suspended hopes: As we bless thee for the Saints already admitted to thy Glory; so we humbly offer our Prayers for thy afflicted Servants, who continually wait and sigh after the Day of their Deliverance: Pardon their sins, supply their unpreparedness, and wipe away the tears from their Eyes, that they

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they may see, thee, and in thy glorious Light eternally rejoyce : Through Jesus Christ, &c.

O Eternal God ! who besides the general Precepts of Charity, hast commanded a particular respect to Parents, Kindred and Benefactors ; Grant we beseech thee, that as they were the instruments by which thy Providence bestowed on us our Birth, Education , and innumerable other Blessings : so our Prayers may be the means to obtain for them a speedy delivery from their excessive sufferings, and free admittance to thy infinite Joys : Through Jesus, &c.

Most wise and merciful Lord ! who hast ordain'd this life as a passage to the future, confining our Repentance to the time of our pilgrimage here , and reserving for hereafter the state of Punishment and Reward : Vouchsafe us thy Grace, who are yet alive , and still have opportunity of Reconciliation with thee, so to watch over all our actions, and correct every least deviation from the true

true way to Heaven, that we be neither surpriz'd with our sins uncancell'd, nor our duties imperfect; but when our Bodies go down into the Grave, our Souls may ascend to thee, and dwell for ever in the Mansions of eternal Felicity: Through Jesus Christ our Lord, and only Saviour. *Amen.*

The 129 Psalm.

From the depths I have cried to thee, O Lord. *pag. 173.*

The 50 Psalm.

Have mercy on me, O God, according to thy great mercy. *Pag. 168.*

Deliver me, O Lord, from eternal Death, in that fearful Day, when the Heavens and Earth shall be moved, when thou comest to judge the world by fire, I tremble and fear when that Examination shall come, and the future Anger, when the Heavens and Earth shall be moved.

That Day is the day of Anger, of Calamity and Misery, that Day is great and very bitter, when thou shalt
come

come to judge the world by fire. Eternal Rest give to them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine unto them. Deliver me, O Lord, from eternal Death in that dreadful day, when the Heavens and Earth are to be moved, when thou shalt come to judge the world by fire.

For Souls lately departed.

O Lord, we commend to thee, and to thy infinite Clemency, the Souls of thy servants, lately departed this life: According to thy mercy pardon them; we beseech thee, those sins, which they have committed through Human frailty, that they may live with thee in the Kingdom of everlasting bliss. *Amen.*

WE commend, O Lord, the Souls of thy servants, into the hands of the most glorious Virgin Mary, Mother of Mercy and Clemency: Into the Hands of the Holy Angels, and celestial Courtiers; of the holy Patriarchs and Prophets; of the blessed Apostles, Evangelists, and Disciples: Into the hands of the Holy Virgins, and

and Widows, and of all thy blessed Saints, who have pleased thee from the Creation of the world unto this time, that by their Intercession and Assistance, they may be delivered from the Prince of darkness, and from all dreadful torments. Grant this, O God Almighty and full of mercy, for the bitter Passion of thy only Son our Savior Jesus: To whom with thee, and the holy Ghost, be all honor and glory for ever. *Amen.*

A Prayer for the Souls of our Parents.

O God, by whom all things live and through whom our Bodies are not destroyed in dying, but are changed into better: We most humbly beseech thee, command the Souls of thy servants to be received by the hands of the holy Angels, and brought unto their heavenly Country: Pardon them, mercifully all the sins which they have committed, that they may live with thee in eternal light, Through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Another for the same

O God of Abraham, God of Isaac, God of Jacob, who art God of the living, and not of the dead.

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Look mercifully on all thy servants, whom thou hast received into another life; Pardon what through frailty, they have committed, command thy holy Angels to carry them into the bosoms of thy Patriarchs and Apostles, into the place of perpetual repose, where is neither sorrow, nor grief, nor fear, but an Assembly of innumerable Saints, rejoicing in the Country of the happy and just, and eternally seeing the glory of thy Christ: Through whom be to thee, all honour, service, and adoration in the Holy Ghost forever. *Amen.*

For such Souls as have no particular Intercessors.

O Merciful God, take pity on those Souls, who have no particular Friends and Intercessors to recommend them to thee, nor any comfort in their torments, nor other hope, save only in that thou madest them according to thine image and likeness; who either through the negligence of those that are alive, or through length of time, are forgotten by their Friends and Posterity: Spare them, O Lord, and preserve

preserve the noble work of thy hands. Let not the glory due to thy Name be given to any other. They are thy workmanship; vouchsafe to look upon them, and deliver them from their intollerable pains and torments, and place them in the number of thy blessed Saints and celestial Citizens. Grant this through Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

A Prayer in general for the Dead.

O God, the Creator and Redeemer of all the Faithful; Give to the Souls of thy Servants departed, full remission of all their Offences, that through the help of pious Supplications, they may obtain the pardon which they have always been desirous of, who livest and reignest, world without end. *Amen.*

Vers. Give them eternal rest, O Lord.

Resp. And let perpetual light shine unto them.

Vers. May they rest in Peace.

Resp. Amen.

The Manner of Serving and Answering at *M A S S*.

The Clerk or Minister, kneeling at the left-hand of the Priest, shall answer him as follows.

Priest.

Introiibo ad altare Dei.

Clerk. Ad Deum qui lætificat juventutem meam.

Pr. Judica me, Deus, & discerne causam meam, de gente non sancta, ab homine iniquo & doloso erue me.

Cl. Quia tu es Deus fortitudo mea, quare me repulisti, & quare tristis incedo dum affligit me inimicus?

Pr. Emitte lucem tuam, & veritatem tuam: ipsa me deduxerunt, & adduxerunt in montem sanctum tuum, & in tabernacula tua.

Cl. Et introibo ad altare Dei: ad Deum qui lætificat juventutem meam.

Pr. Confitebor tibi in cithara, Deus, Deus meus: Quare tristis es anima mea, & quare conturbas me?

Cl. Spera in Deo, quoniam adhuc confitebor illi: salutare vultus mei, & Deus meus.

Pr. Glo.

Pr. Gloria Patri, & Filio, & Spiritui Sancto.

Cl. Sicut erat in principio, & nunc, & semper: & in sæcula sæculorum. *Amen.*

Pr. Introibo ad altare Dei.

Cl. Ad Deum qui lætificat juventutem meam.

Pr. Adjutorium nostrum in nomine Domini.

Cl. Qui fecit cœlum & terram.

Pr. Confiteor Deo, &c.

Cl. Misereatur tui omnipotens Deus, & dimissis omnibus peccatis tuis, perducatur te ad vitam æternam.

Pr. Amen.

Cl. Confiteor Deo omnipotenti, beatæ Mariæ semper Virgini, beato Michaeli Archangelo, beato Joanni Baptistæ, sanctis Apostolis Petro & Paulo, omnibus Sanctis, & tibi Pater, quia peccavi nimis cogitatione, verbo & opere (*Here he knocks his Breast thrice*)
Mea culpa, mea culpa, mea maxima culpa. Ideo precor beatam Mariam semper Virginem, beatum Michaelem Archangelum, beatum Joannem Baptistam, sanctos Apostolos Petrum & Paulum, omnes sanctos, & te

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Pater, orare pro me, ad Dominum Deum nostrum.

Pr. Misereatur vestri, &c.

Cl. Amen.

Pr. In indulgentiam, absolutionem, &c.

Cl. Amen.

Pr. Deus tu conversus vivificabis nos.

Cl. Et plebs tua letabitur in te.

Pr. Ostende nobis Domine misericordiam tuam.

Cl. Et salutare tuum da nobis.

Pr. Domine exaudi orationem meam.

Cl. Et clamor meus ad te veniat.

Pr. Dominus vobiscum.

Cl. Et cum spiritu tuo.

Pr. Kyrie eleison.

Cl. Kyrie eleison.

Pr. Kyrie eleison.

Cl. Christe eleison.

Pr. Christe eleison.

Cl. Christe eleison.

Pr. Kyrie eleison.

Cl. Kyrie eleison.

Pr. Kyrie eleison.

Pr. Dominus vobiscum, or Flectamus genua.

Cl. Et cum spiritu tuo, or Levate.

Pr. Per omnia secula seculorum.

Cl. Amen.

At

At the end of the Epistle say,

Cl. Deo gratias.

Sometimes you must say Amen twice. The Epistle, Gradual and Alleluia or Tract being read, remove the Missal or Mass-Book to the right-hand of the Altar, making a Reverence as you pass towards the middle of the Altar. Let the Clerk ever kneel or stand on the contrary side to the Mass-book.

Pr. Sequentia sancti Evangelii.

Making the sign of the Cross, say,

Cl. Gloria tibi Domine.

Make a Reverence at the beginning and ending of the Gospel. and at the Name of J E S U S, and at the end say,

Cl. Laus tibi Christe.

Pr. Dominus vobiscum.

Cl. Et cum spiritu tuo.

Here the Clerk is to give Wine and Water, and prepare the Bason, Water and Towel for the Priest. The Priest having washed, let him kneel in his former place, and answer.

Pr. Orate fratres.

Cl. Suscipiat Dominus hoc Sacrificium de manibus tuis ad laudem & gloriam nominis sui, ad utilitatem quo-

que nostram totiusque Ecclesiæ suæ
sanctæ.

Pr. Per omnia sæcula sæculorum.

Cl. Amen.

Pr. Dominus vobiscum.

Cl. Et cum spiritu tuo.

Pr. Sursum corda.

Cl. Habemus ad Dominum.

Pr. Gratias agamus Domino Deo
nostro.

Cl. Dignum & justum est.

*At Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus, &c. ring
the little Bell, and light the Candle or
Candles, which are prepared for that
purpose, and then kneel down again.*

*When you see the Priest spread his hands
over the Chalice, you must give warning
by the Bell of the Consecration which is
about to be made. Then holding up the
Vestment with your left-hand, and
having the Bell in your right, you must
ring during the Elevation of the Host:
which being ended, you must kiss the
Vestment; and presently do the same at
the Elevation of the Chalice. As often
as you pass by the blessed Sacrament,
you must adore on your Knees.*

Pr. Per omnia sæcula sæculorum.

Cl. Amen.

Pr. &c.

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Pr. Et ne nos inducas in tentationem.

Cl. Sed libera nos à malo.

Pr. Per omnia sæcula sæculorum.

Cl. Amen.

Pr. Pax Domini sit semper vobiscum.

Cl. Et cum spiritu tuo.

The Clerk kneeling, must give the Pax to the Priest to kiss, (where this Custom is observed) and answer,

Pr. Pax tecum.

Cl. Et cum spiritu tuo.

Pausing a little, rise, make adoration to the Sacrament, give the Pax to the Audience, observing the order of Calling and Years. The Priest's Communion being ended, be ready to give him Wine and Water. (If there be Communicants, provide a Towel, and say the Confiteor. After they have Received, give them Wine) Then remove the Book to the left-hand of the Altar, put out the Candles which you lighted at Sanctus, &c. take away the Towel from the Communicant, if there be any, and return to your former place.

Pr. Dominus Vobiscum.

Cl. Et cum spiritu tuo.

Pr. Per omnia sæcula sæculorum.

Cl. Amen

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Pr. Ite

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Pr. Ite missa est, or Benedicamus Domino.

Cl. Deo Gratias.

Pr. Requiescant in pace.

Cl. Amen.

Remove the Book, if it be left open, kneel and take the Priest's Blessing, arise, and say at the beginning of the Gospel,

Cl. Gloria tibi Domine.

At the end say, Deo Gratias.

So put out the Candles, and lay up all decently and carefully.

If you have leisure, meditate a while, kiss the Altar, saying,

I will adore in the place where his Feet stood: And depart.

A Psalm in Tribulation.

HE that dwells in the help of the Higheft, shall abide in the protection of the God of Heaven.

He shall say to our Lord, Thou art my Protector, and my Refuge, my God, I will hope in him.

Because he shall deliver me from the snare of the hunters: and from the harsh word.

With

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With his shoulders shall he overshadow thee : and under his wings thou shalt hope.

His truth shall encompass thee with a shield : thou shalt not be afraid of the terrors by night.

Nor of the arrow that flieth by day, of mischief that cometh in the dark : of the incursion and the mid-day Devil.

A thousand shall fall on thy side, and ten thousand on thy right hand : and those things shall not approach to thee.

But thou shalt consider with thine eyes, and shalt see the reward of sinners.

Because thou, O Lord, art my hope : Thou hast made the Highest thy Refuge.

There shall no evil come to thee, and the scourge shall not approach to thy Tabernacle.

Because he hath given his Angels charge over thee, that they may keep thee in all thy ways.

They shall carry thee in their hands, lest perhaps thou shouldst hurt thy foot against a stone.

Thou shalt walk on the Asp and
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Basilisk: and thou shalt tread on the Lion and Dragon.

Because he hath hoped in me, I will deliver him, I will protect him, because he hath known my Name.

He hath cried to me, and I will hear him: I am with him in Tribulation, I will deliver him and glorifie him.

I will replenish him with length of days, and will shew him my salvation.

Glory be to the Father, &c.

A Prayer to be said every day in a time of Persecution.

O My Lord Jesus Christ, true God and true Man, who sufferedst an ignominious Death on the Cross for my Redemption; I humbly offer up to thee, my Soul, my Body, my Life (*my Lands*) my Goods, and all my Fortunes, to be wholly disposed of according to thy most blessed Will: And if it be thy holy Pleasure, that I should lose my Life or Fortunes for the Profession of thy holy Name and the Catholic Religion; Lord, I humbly and freely submit thereunto, beseeching thee
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of thy infinite goodness and mercy, and by the merits of thy bitter Death and Passion, thou wilt please to forgive me my sins ; give me strength and patience to overcome all temptations and adversities ; pardon all my Enemies and Persecutors, and all the Injuries they have done me, in thought, word, or deed, and make us all partakers of thy Heavenly Kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour, who with the Father, and the Holy Ghost, liveth and reigneth one God , world without end. *amen.*

T H E
JESUS PSALTER.

Acts 4. 12.

There is no other Name under Heaven given to Men, in which we may be saved.

An Advertisement.

THE Psalters now in use amongst devout Christians, are of three sorts. The first is David's, which contains

tains thrice Fifty Psalms: The Second is that of our blessed Lady, commonly called the Rosary or Beads, compos'd of thrice Fifty Ave's. The Third is the Psalter, or Invocation of Jesus; which consisting of Fifteen Petitions, and the glorious Name of JESUS being to be repeated Ten times before each of them, the Repetition is likewise made thrice Fifty times.

It may be said as the Rosary, either all at once or at Thrice, (which perhaps will be better) according to the persons Devotion and leisure; forasmuch as this sacred Name is not to be repeated over hastily, but with great Reverence, and Attention.

You must begin with a devout Genuflection, or Bowing at the adorable Name of JESUS, saying,

IN the Name of Jesus let every Knee bow, of things in Heaven, of things in Earth, and of things under the Earth: And let every Tongue confess, that our Lord Jesus Christ is in the glory of God the Father. *Phil. 2 10, 11.*

First Petition.

Jesu, Jesu, Jesu, }
 Jesu, Jesu, Jesu, } Have mercy on me.
 Jesu, Jesu, Jesu, }

Jesu,

Jesu , have mercy on me , O God of Compassion, and forgive the many and great Offences I have committed in thy sight.

Many have been the follies of my life, and great are the miseries I have deserved for my Ingratitude.

Have mercy on me, dear Jesus, for I am weak ; O Lord, heal me, who am unable to help my self.

Deliver me from setting my heart upon any of thy Creatures, which may divert my eyes from a continual looking up to thee.

Grant me grace henceforth , for the love of thee. to hate sin ; and out of a just esteem of thee, to despise all worldly vanities.

Have mercy on all sinners , Jesu , I beseech thee ; Turn their Vices into Vertues , and making them true observers of thy Law, and sincere lovers of thee, Bring them to Bliss and everlasting Glory.

Have mercy also on the Souls in Purgatory , for thy bitter Passion, I beseech thee, and for thy glorious Name Jesu.

O blessed Trinity, one eternal God
have mercy on me.

Our Father, &c. Hail Mary, &c.

Second Petition.

Jesu, Jesu, Jesu,
Jesu, Jesu, Jesu, Help me.
Jesu, Jesu, Jesu,

Jesu, help me to overcome all temptation to sin, and the malice of my ghostly Enemy.

Help me to spend my time in virtuous Actions, and in such Labours as are acceptable to thee.

To resist and repress the Motions of my Flesh, in Sloth, Gluttony, and Carnality.

To render my heart enamour'd of Vertue, and enflamed with desires of thy glorious Presence.

Help me to deserve and keep a good Name, by a peaceful and pious living, to thy honour, Jesu, my own comfort, and the benefit of others.

Have mercy on all sinners, &c.

Our Father, &c. Hail Mary, &c.

Third

Third Petition.

Jesu, Jesu, Jesu, }
Jesu, Jesu, Jesu, } Strengthen me.
Jesu, Jesu, Jesu, }

JESU, strengthen me in Soul and Body,
to please thee in executing such
works of Vertue, as may bring me to
thy everlasting Joy and Felicity.

Grant me a firm purpose, most mer-
ciful Saviour, to amend my life, and
recompense for the years past.

Those years which I have mispent to
thy displeasure, in vain or wicked
thoughts, words, deeds, and evil cu-
stoms.

Make my heart obedient to thy Will,
and ready for thy Love, to perform
all the works of Mercy.

Grant me the Gifts of the Holy Ghost,
which through a vertuous life, and de-
vout frequenting of thy most holy
Sacraments, may at length bring me
to thy Heavenly Kingdom.

Have mercy on all sinners, &c.

Our Father, &c. Hail Mary, &c.

Fourth Petition.

Jesu, Jesu, Jesu, }
 Jesu, Jesu, Jesu, } Comfort me.
 Jesu, Jesu, Jesu, }

Jesu, comfort me, and give me grace
 to place my chief, my only joy and
 felicity in thee.

Send me Heavenly Meditations, Spi-
 ritual Sweetness, and fervent Desires
 of thy Glory; Ravish my Soul with
 the Contemplation of Heaven, where
 I shall everlastingly dwell with thee.

Bring often to my remembrance thy
 unspeakable Goodness, thy Gifts, and
 the great Kindness which thou hast
 shewn to me.

And when thou bringest to my mind
 the sad remembrance of my sins where-
 by I have so unkindly offended thee;
 Comfort me with the assurance of ob-
 taining thy grace, by the Spirit of
 perfect Penance, which may purge a-
 way my guilt, and prepare me for
 thy Kingdom.

Have mercy on all sinners, &c.

Our Father, &c. Hail Mary, &c.

Fifth

Fifth Petition.

Jesu, Jesu, Jesu, }
Jesu, Jesu, Jesu, } Make me constant.
Jesu, Jesu, Jesu, }

Jesu, make me constant in Faith, Hope, and Charity; giving me a Perseverance in all Vertue, and a resolution never to offend thee

Let the memory of thy Passion, and of those bitter pains thou sufferedst for me, strengthen my Patience, and recreate me in all Tribulation and Adversity.

Let me always hold fast the Doctrins of thy Catholic Church, and render me a diligent Frequenter of all holy Duties.

Let no false delight of this deceitful World blind me, no fleshly temptation or fraud of the Devil shake my heart.

My heart, which has for ever set up its rest in thee, and resolv'd to undervalue all for thy eternal Reward.

Have mercy on all sinners, Jesu, I beseech thee; Turn their Vices into Vertues, and make them true observers of thy Law, and sincere lovers of thee, bring them to Bliss in everlasting Glory.

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Have mercy also on the Souls in Purgatory, for thy bitter Passion, I beseech thee, and for thy glorious Name, Jesu.

O blessed Trinity, one eternal God, have mercy on me.

Our Lord Jesus Christ humbled himself, being made obedient unto death, even the death of the Cross! Phil. 2. 8.

Hear these my Petition, O my most merciful Saviour, and grant me thy grace so frequently to repeat and consider them, that they may prove easy Steps, whereby my Soul may climb up to the Knowledge, Love and Performance of my Duty to Thee and my Neighbours, through the whole course of my Life. *Amen.*

Our Father, &c. Hail Mary, &c.
I believe in God, &c.

Begin as before, saying,

IN the Name of Jesus, let every
Knee bow, &c.

Sixth Petition.

Jesu, Jesu, Jesu,	} Enlighten me with Spiritual Wisdom.
Jesu, Jesu, Jesu,	
Jesu, Jesu, Jesu,	

Jesu,

Jesu, enlighten me with Spiritual Wisdom, to know thy goodness, and all those things which are most acceptable to thee.

Grant me a clear apprehension of my only good, and a discretion to order my life according to it.

Grant that I may wisely proceed from Vertue, to Virtue, till at length I arrive unto the clear Vision of thy glorious Majesty.

Permit me not, dear Lord, to return to those Sins for which I have sorrowed, and of which I have purged my self by Confession: Grant me grace to benefit the Souls of others by my good Example. and to reduce those, by good Counsel, who misbehave themselves towards me.

Have mercy on all sinners, Jesu, I beseech thee; turn their Vices into Vertues, and make them true observers of thy Law, and sincere lovers of thee, bring them to Bliss in everlasting Glory.

Have mercy also on the Souls in Purgatory, for thy bitter Passion, I beseech thee, and for thy glorious Name Jesu.

O blessed Trinity, one eternal God,
have mercy on me.

Our Father, &c. Hail Mary, &c.

Seventh Petition.

Jesu, Jesu, Jesu, }
Jesu, Jesu, Jesu, } Grant me grace
Jesu, Jesu, Jesu, } to dread thee.

Jesu, grant me grace inwardly to
dread thee, and to avoid all occa-
sions of offending thee.

Let thy threats of the torments
which are to fall on sinners, the fear
of losing thy Love and thy Heavenly
Inheritance, always keep me in aw.

Let me not dare to remain in sin,
but return soon to repentance, lest
through thy anger the dreadful Sen-
tence of endless Death and Damnation
fall upon me.

Let the powerful Intercession of thy
blessed Mother, and all thy Saints: but
above all, thine own Merits and Mercy,
O my Saviour, ever be between thy
revenging Justice, and my poor Soul.

Enable me, O my God, to work out
my salvation with fear and trembling;
and

and let the apprehension of thy secret Judgments render me a more humble and diligent suitor at the Throne of thy Grace.

Have mercy on all sinners, &c.

Our Father, &c. Hail Mary, &c.

Eighth Petition.

Jesu, Jesu, Jesu, }
Jesu, Jesu, Jesu, } Grant me grace
Jesu, Jesu, Jesu, } to love thee.

Jesu, grant me grace truly to love thee, for thy infinite goodness, and those excessive Bounties I have, and hope for ever to receive from thee.

Let the Remembrance of thy kindness and patience, conquer the malice and wretched Inclinations of my perverse Nature.

Let the consideration of my many deliverances, thy frequent calls, and continual assistances in the ways of Life, make me ashamed of my Ingratitude.

And what dost thou require of me for all thy mercies, or by them, but to love thee? And why dost thou require it, but because thou art my only Good?

O my

O my dear Lord! my whole life shall be nothing but a desire of thee; and because I indeed love thee, I will most diligently keep thy Commandments.

Have mercy on all sinners, &c.

Our Father, &c. Hail Mary, &c.

Ninth Petition.

Jesu, Jesu, Jesu, } Grant me grace
Jesu, Jesu, Jesu, } to remember my
Jesu, Jesu, Jesu, } Death.

Jesu, grant me grace always to remember my Death, and the great Account I am then to give; that so my Soul being always well disposed, it may depart out of this World in thy Grace.

Then by the holy Intercession of thy Blessed Mother, and the assistance of the glorious St. *Michael*, deliver me from the Enemy of my Soul: And thou my good Angel, I beseech thee, to help me, at that most important hour.

Then dear Jesu, remember thy mercy, and turn not thy most amiable Face away from me because of my Offences. Secure me against the ter-
rors

For of that day, by causing me now to die daily to all earthly things, and to have my continual conversation in Heaven.

Let the Remembrance of thy Death teach me how to esteem my Life; and the Memory of thy Resurrection encourage me to descend chearfully into the Grave.

Have mercy on all sinners, &c.

Our Father, &c. Hail Mary, &c.

Tenth Petition.

Jesu, Jesu, Jesu, } Send me here
Jesu, Jesu, Jesu, } my Purgato-
Jesu, Jesu, Jesu, } ry.

Jesu, send me here my Purgatory, and so present the Torments of that cleansing Fire, which attends those Souls in the next World, that have not been sufficiently purged in this.

Vouchsafe to grant me those merciful Crosses and Afflictions, which thou seest necessary for the taking off my affections from all things here below.

Since none can see thee that loves any thing which is not for thy sake, suffer not my heart to find any rest here, but in sighing after thee.

Too

Too bitter, alas ! will be the anguish of a Soul which is separated from thee, which desires, but cannot come to thee, being clog'd with the heavy chains of sin.

Hear them, O my Savior, keep me continually mortified to this World ; that being purged throughly with the fire of thy Love, I may immediately pass from hence into thy everlasting Possessions.

Have mercy on all sinners, Jesu, I beseech thee, turn their Vices into Vertues, and make them true observers of thy Law, and sincere lovers of thee, bring them to Bliss in everlasting Glory.

Have mercy also on the Souls in purgatory, for thy bitter Passion, I beseech thee, and for thy glorious Name Jesu.

O blessed Trinity, one eternal God, have mercy on me.

Our Lord Jesus Christ humbled himself, being made obedient unto death, even the death of the Cross. phil. 2. 8.

Hear these my Petitions, &c.

Our Father, &c, Hail Mary, &c. I believe in God, &c.

Begin

Begin as before, saying,

IN the Name of Jesus, let every
Knee bow, &c.

Eleventh Petition.

Jesu, Jesu, Jesu, } Grant me grace
Jesu, Jesu, Jesu, } to avoid ill com-
Jesu, Jesu, Jesu, } pany.

Jesu, grant me grace to avoid ill company ; or if I chance to come among such , I beseech thee, by the merits of thy uncorrupt conversation among sinners, preserve me from being overcome by any temptations to mortal sin.

Cause me, O blessed Lord, to remember always with dread, that thou art present and hearest, who wilt take an account of all our words and actions, and wilt judge us according to them.

How dare I then converse with Slanders, Liars, Drunkards, or Swearers, or with such, whose discourse is either quarrellous, dissolute or vain?

Repress in me, dear Jesu, all inordinate

dinate affections to carnal pleasure;
and to the delight of Taste, granting
me the Grace to avoid such com-
pany as would blow the fire of those
unruly Appetites.

Thy Power defend, thy Wisdom di-
rect, thy Fatherly pity chastise me, and
make me live so here among Men,
that I may be fit for the conversation
of Angels hereafter.

Have mercy on all sinners, &c.

Our Father, &c. Hail Mary, &c.

Twelfth Petition.

Jesu, Jesu, Jesu, } Grant me grace
Jesu, Jesu, Jesu, } to call on thee
Jesu, Jesu, Jesu, } for help.

Jesu, grant me grace in all my neces-
sities to call on thee for help, faith-
fully remembring thy Death and Re-
surrection for me.

Wilt thou be deaf to my Cries,
that Woulst lay down thy Life for
my Ransom? or caust thou not save
me, that couldst take it up again for
my Crown?

Whom have I in Heaven but thee,
O my *Jesus*? whose blessed Mouth
has

has pronounced, *Call on me in the day of trouble, and I will deliver thee.*

Thou art my sure Rock of Defence against all sorts of Enemies : Thou art my ready Grace, able to strengthen me to every good work.

Therefore in all my Sufferings, in all my Weaknesses and Temptations, I will confidently call on thee : Hear me, O my Jesu, and when thou hearest, have mercy.

Have mercy on all sinners, &c.

Our Father, &c. Hail Mary, &c.

Thirteenth Petition.

Jesu, Jesu, Jesu, }
Jesu, Jesu, Jesu, } Make me perse-
Jesu, Jesu, Jesu, } vere in Vertue.

Jesu, make me persevere in Vertue and good Life, and never give over thy Service, till thou bringest me to my Reward in thy Kingdom.

In all pious Customs and holy Duties, in my honest and necessary Employments, continue and strengthen, O Lord, both my Soul and Body.

Is my Life any thing but a pilgrimage on Earth, towards the new *Jerusalem*, to which, he that sits down

or

or turns out of the way, can never arrive?

O Jesu, make me always consider thy blessed Example: through how much pains, and how little pleasure, thou pressedst on to a bitter death: that being the way to a glorious Resurrection.

Make me, O my Redeemer, seriously weigh those severe words of thine, that He only that perseveres to the very end, shall be saved.

Have mercy on all sinners, &c

Our Father, &c. Hail Mary, &c.

Fourteenth Petition.

Jesu, Jesu, Jesu, } Grant me grace
Jesu, Jesu, Jesu, } to fix my mind
Jesu, Jesu, Jesu, } on thee.

Jesu, grant me grace to fix my mind on thee, especially in time of Prayer, when I directly converse with thee.

Stop the motions of my wandering Head, the desires of my unstable Heart; and suppress the power of my spiritual Enemies, who endeavour at that time to draw my mind from heavenly thoughts, to many vain imaginations.

So shall I, with joy and gratitude,
look

look on thee, as my Deliverer from all the evils, I have escaped; and as my Benefactor, for all the goods I have ever received, or can hope.

I shall see, that thou thy self art my only good, and that all other things are but means ordained by thee, to make me fix my mind on thee, to make me love thee more, and by loving thee, to be eternally happy.

O beloved of my Soul, take up all my thoughts here; that mine eyes abstaining from all vain and hurtful sights, may become worthy to behold thee face to face in thy Glory for ever.

Have mercy on all sinners, &c.

Our Father, &c. Hail Mary, &c.

Fifteenth Petition.

Jesu, Jesu, Jesu, } Giveme grace to order
Jesu, Jesu, Jesu, } my life with reference
Jesu Jesu, Jesu, } to my eternal welfare.

JESU, give me grace to order my Life with reference to my eternal welfare, heartily intending, and wisely designing all the operations of my Body and Soul, for the obtaining the reward of thine infinite Bliss, and eternal Felicity.

For

For what else is this World, but a School to breed up Souls, and fit them for the other: And how are they fitted but by an eager desire of enjoying God, their only End?

Break my froward Spirit, O Jesu, make it humble and obedient: Grant me grace to depart hence with contempt of this World, and an heart filled with joy at my going to thee.

Let the Memory of thy Passion make me chearfully undergo all Temptations or sufferings here, for thy love: whilst my Soul breaths after that blisful Life and immortal Glory, which thou hast ordained in Heaven for thy Servants.

O Jesu, let me frequently and attentively consider, that whatsoever I gain, if I lose thee, all is lost. And whatsoever I lose, if I gain thee, all is gained.

Have mercy on all sinners, &c.

Our Lord Jesus Christ humbled himself, being made obedient unto death, even the death of the Cross! Phil. 2. 8.

Hear these my Petitions, &c.

Our Father, &c. Hail Mary, &c.
I believe in God, &c.

Prayers

Prayers for the King, Queen ;
and Queen Dowager.

For the King.

Psalm 19.

OU R Lord hear thee in the day
of Tribulation: the Name of
the God of *Jacob* protect thee.

Let him send thee help from the
holy Place: And out of Sion defend
thee.

Let him be mindful of all thy Sacri-
fices: And let thy Holocaust be
made fat.

May he give unto thee according to
thy heart: And confirm all thy Coun-
sel.

We shall rejoyce in thy Salvation :
And in the Name of our God we shall
be magnified.

May our Lord fulfil all thy Petiti-
ons: Now I have known, that our
Lord hath saved his Anointed.

He will hear him from his holy
Heaven: The salvation of his right-
hand is powerful.

Some

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Some trust in Chariots, and some in Horses : But we will call on the Name of the Lord our God.

They have been bound and are fallen : But we have risen and have been set upright.

O Lord save the King : And hear us in the day that we shall call upon thee.

Glory be to the Father, &c.

As it was in the beginning, &c.

Vers. O Lord save *JAMES* our King.

Resp And hear us in the day that we shall call upon thee.

Let us Pray.

WE beseech thee Almighty God ,
that thy Servant *JAMES* our
King, who through thy Mercy , hath
the Government of this Realm committed to him , may likewise receive the
increase of all Vertues ; wherewith
being adorned, he may avoid the Enormity of sin, and being rendred acceptable in sight , come at length to thee,
who art the Way, the Truth, and
the Life ; who livest and reignest with
God the Father, in the Unity of

and Queen Dowager. 287

the Holy Ghost, one God world without end. *Amen.*

For the King, Queen, and Queen Dowager.

O God, who art the strength and support of those Kingdoms that serve thee ; Mercifully hear our Prayers, and defend thy Servants *James* our King, *Mary* our Queen, and *Queen Catherine*, from all danger; and grant that their Safety may conduce to the Peace and Welfare of thy People : Through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ , who with thee and the Holy Ghost liveth and reigneth one God, world without end. *Amen.*

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